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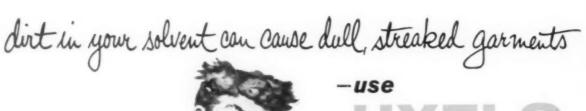
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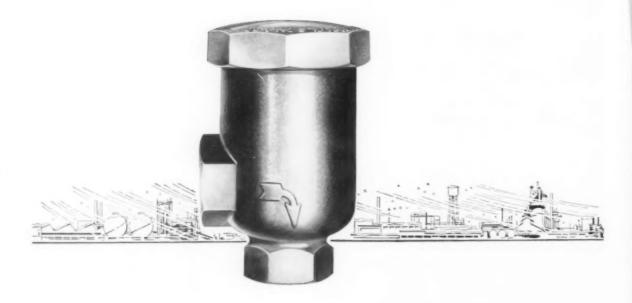
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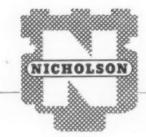
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It hardly seems possible that this begins our second year as editor of your magazine. A dozen deadlines have whizzed by as fast as a delta winged jet. Every week is Easter week in the publishing business. Perhaps that is due to the wonderful cooperation given

First Anniversary

by you plantowners, the associations and the allied tradesmen. Your story leads, constructive comments and suggestions have been of in-

valuable help. We were first filled with trepidation, wondering how each issue would be filled with helpful articles. It didn't take long, thanks to you, to find that the bigger job was to cull an avalanche of material for the very best articles.

the very best articles.

Perhaps there were times when specific stories trod on a toe or two. That can't be helped. Benjamin Franklin once said that if publications waited to print material that pleased everyone nothing would ever get written. One can't be all things to all people.

Our first obligation is to you, the management of this industry. We must keep you fully informed of new trends, new developments. That the industry generally accepts this philosophy is borne out by the fact that our circulation is constantly increasing. Every reorder is a vote of confidence and we appreciate that concrete support of confidence and we appreciate that concrete support of our efforts.

It was your suggestion that prompted the Fabric Facts series currently running in these issues. You asked for the solvent-saving articles, the route training stories. That's what has made this work so rewarding this past year. There is a two-way flow between this desk and its readers. It is far from an ivory-tower operation. We are counting on your continued support and advice the coming year and many years after that.

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A man is as big as the things that annoy him. -Art Schwelke

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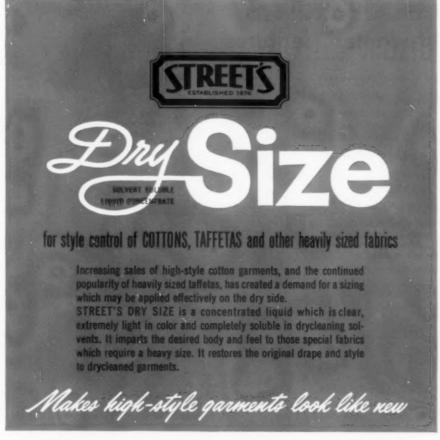
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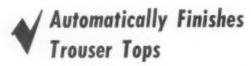
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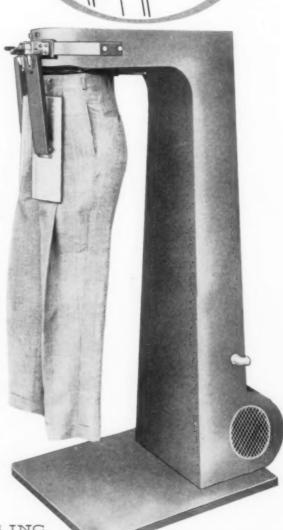




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Ellis & Watts Products, Inc., has made available a new bulletin describing its line of solvent coolers and recirculating water chillers. These highcapacity refrigeration units, developed to cool drycleaning solvents, are compact, selfcontained and can easily be connected to any system. Hermetically sealed, self-lubricating and requiring no maintenance, according to the manufacturer, the cooling section can be cleaned quickly and easily without disturbing the refrigeration system.

The bulletin lists the various models available and their specifications, Diagrams illustrate how units may be installed parallel, in-line or as recirculating water chillers. The folder also explains how these units automatically keep perchlorethylene or petroleum solvents within 2 degrees of any

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P & H Offers Topper-Matic



Topper-Matic, an automatic steam-air finisher for trouser topping, which combines steam, air and automation, is now being manufactured by P & H Industries, Inc. To operate the machine, the operator slips the trousers over the form, positions the pleat holders and presses a button to start the 30-second cycle of steam and air, During the 30 seconds required to complete the cycle, the operator's attention is not required. Automatically, Topper-Matic finishes the trouser top, without shine or seam marks, requiring only one or two lays on a legger or utility press to complete the finishing.

More details may be obtained from P & H Industries, Inc., Dorchester House, Dallas 10, Tex.

Kling Develops New Unit

The addition of a 75-poundcapacity, fully automatic, aircontrolled 2-bath unit for the use of petroleum solvent has been disclosed by Al Kling, president, Kling "100" Corporation, 1827 N. Harlem Ave., Chicago 37, Ill. The unit has a 32-minute cycle and is said to produce approximately 1,200 pounds of cleaning in 8 hours and 32 minutes. The unit features UL Label explosion-proof motors, large high charge and clear rinse capacity, built-in tubular screen and 1100 g.p.h.

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Singer Leaflet on Two-Needle Machine

Singer Sewing Machine Company recently issued a fourpage illustrated folder describing its new long-arm, lockstitch machine. Illustrated in the leaflet are typical seaming and stripping operations performed on the new 167W100 which opens a wide range of new two-needle seaming possibilities.

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Manitowoc Issues Folder



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The bulletin may be obtained free of charge from any Manitowoc dealer or by writing direct to Manitowoc Engineering Corp., Manitowoc, Wis.

Almore Offers Ad Mats

Leon Teichner, director of Almore Dye House, reports that his firm has made available newspaper ad mats that measure ten inches by two columns and five inches by one column. The mats, featuring dyeing, are reported to have obtained excellent results when used in Chicago, According to Mr. Teichner, they are available without charge to any cleaner, even if he is not an Almore

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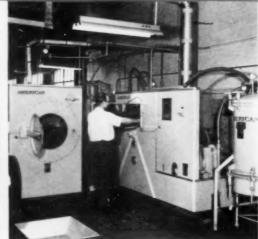
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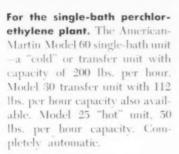
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LEGAL DECISIONS

By A. L. H. STREET

Delivery Route Ownership

A cleaner employs a routeman on a salary plus commission basis, furnishing truck, gas consumed and other expenses, including advertising of the business. As the employment continues, the routeman finds new patrons, in addition to the list given him by the cleaner.

If the relationship ends, what are the rights of the parties respecting ownership of the route?

Strictly speaking, there is no ownership of the route. It is common property, unless the employee is hired under a contract which provides, as it should from the cleaner's standpoint, that for a certain time after termination of employment, say 2, 3 or 5 years, the routeman will not solicit patronage for a competing cleaning establishment. He is bound by that agreement and, under ordinary circumstances, can be enjoined from violating it.

Where the routeman has not tied his hands by contract, he is free, according to what most courts have decided, to receive patronage from those he has served on behalf of another cleaning establishment, provided it comes to him unsolicited, or if, as is usually the case, he remembers who his patrons were and where they lived. But most courts say that he has no right to take with him a route list furnished by his old employer or made up for the latter by the routeman in his capacity as an employee.

Thus, except where there is special agreement to the contrary, the old employer can employ a new routeman and through him solicit old and new patrons on the route; the old routeman can do the same for another cleaner so long as he does not use a route list that belongs to the old cleaner.

An entirely different situation is presented when a routeman has built up an entirely independent business which makes him a middleman between patron and cleaner. In the absence of contract to the contrary, the routeman is free to have the cleaning done where he pleases, and "owns" the route in a limited sense. But that does not mean that a cleaner who has formerly done the work for him is not equally free to solicit patronage from the people served by the independent routeman, in competition with the latter.

The foregoing reflects the general attitude of the courts throughout the country, but in a few states different conclusions have been reached on some of the angles discussed. For example, the Maryland Court of Appeals decided that a route list cannot be regarded as a "trade secret" when a rival can duplicate the list by merely following trucks and observing where work is picked up and delivered. (140 Maryland Reports, 117 Atl. 753, 23 A. L. R. 420.)

In Michigan, restrictive agreements were considered by the Supreme Court in the light of a law enacted in 1917, to the effect that "any contract of employment under which the employer furnishes . . . to the employee a . . . route list . . . in which the employee agrees not to perform similar services for another engaged in a . . . competing line of business, for . . . 90 days after termination of such service" was valid, (187 N. W. 335.)

This discussion would seem to indicate that before making or renewing a contract with routemen, a cleaner should carefully consider the need for special provisions safeguarding his interests, after checking with his local lawyer to see just how far the contract can go in that direction in the light of the laws and court decisions of the particular state.



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SIGNS of the TIMES

Trail Features Oakland Cleaner: The subject of an illustrated article in the May 1956 issue of International Trail was the Clean Cleaners of Oakland, California, owned by Emil Bouchet. The establishment was founded in 1920 by his father, who had lost a laundry business in the San Francisco fire in 1905, Trail, an interesting monthly published by International Harvester Company, is devoted to articles about users in every field and country of its trucks and tractors.

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Misleading Fabric Advertising: Retailers are being advised against the misuse of the term "Fortisan" in store signs, labels and newspaper advertisement of curtains and draperies by the Better Business Bureau of New York City, Fortisan is a rayon of great tensile strength, possessing exceptional stretch and shrink resistance, according to the manufacturer, the Celanese Corporation of America. In curtains and draperies it is generally used as the warp yarn with the woof or filling being one or more fibers other than Fortisan. It is therefore not the predominant fiber by weight.

The Better Business Bureau advises retailers to insist upon receiving complete and accurate fiber data from all suppliers and urges that the proper fiber content be disclosed in the advertising and labeling of merchandise.

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Tips on Retirement: With thousands of Americans retiring each year, the problems connected with old age have become increasingly acute. To meet this situation the United States Chamber of Commerce has published a booklet giving timely pointers on the subject. It discusses health, diet, fitness, living arrangements, hobbies, finances, part-time work and other necessary considerations. The pamphlet urges the avoidance of worry, the enjoyment of friends, participation in community activities, self-reliance and religion as a source of strength.

The booklet is a joint project of the Chamber's Insurance Committee and the Economic Security Committee. Single copies are free on request. In quantity they cost 5 cents each. Please write to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, 1615 H St., N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Canadian Textile Seminar: Joyce Hutchinson, director of the textile laboratory, Canadian Research Institute of Launderers and Cleaners, represented the Institute at the fifth Canadian textile seminar, organized by the Textile Federation of Canada. Held at Queen's University, Kingston, the seminar featured several papers on timely subjects, presented by leading textile authorities. Of special interest was one given by Miss A. S. Tweedie of the National Research Council on the testing of textiles from the consumer viewpoint.

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Small Business Administration Literature: Turning customer complaints into profits is the theme of No. 12 in the Small Marketers Aids series published by the Small Business Administration, Author Gerald D. Grosner, retail consultant, divides complaints into eight basic groups: faulty merchandise, unsatisfactory installation, delayed delivery, wrong merchandise, damaged merchandise, office errors in billing charge accounts, a resentment of credit-collection methods and dissatisfaction with salespeople. He then outlines various methods of handling each of these types of complaints. Presenting a cogent argument, Mr. Grosner points out that if a customer has a legitimate complaint, "the store is not only obligated to set it right but should be glad to do so.

Much useful information can be obtained through the use of marketing surveys, according to Bulletin No. 73 of Management Aids for Small Manufacturers. Unless there is a person qualified to undertake this form of fact gathering the folder recommends the use of a specialized research firm.

After the initial statement and definition of the problem has been made, the folder suggests steps necessary to operate a successful survey. Conducting the preliminary survey, deciding the type of survey (mail, personal interview or telephone) to be made, determining the sample plan (random area or quota), developing a questionnaire and finally assembling and analyzing the data are all included in the discussion.

Free Copies of these two aids are available without charge from the field offices or from the headquarters of the Small Business Administration, Washington 25, D. C. Oklahoma A & M Short Course: An attendance of 40 persons was reported by the Oklahoma A & M Tech drycleaning faculty at their third short-course session of the year, held in Elk City. Guest speaker Pat Din-woody discussed the importance of a knowledge of the weave of the new fabrics currently being manufactured. H. B. Golden, head of the drycleaning department of the trade school, was the principal speaker. His topic was the effects of the charged system in spotting and also stain identification and removal.

C. O. Jackson, instructor in drycleaning room procedures, explored the charged system as well as the main factors of temperature and humidity control. Talks on wool and silk finishing by Joe Smith and Lloyd Bennett rounded off the evening. Plans are now being completed for a final session to be held in the fall.

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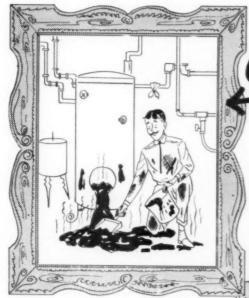
Rotarians Tour Plant: Members of the Rotary Club of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, heard an explanation of the most modern drycleaning methods and examined equipment when they toured the plant of Buckeye Cleaners and Dyers, owned by Gust Maistros. Rotarian Maistros gave each fellow member an opportunity to have a coat or suit drycleaned without charge.

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Match-Cover Memory: The Hooper-Holmes Bureau, a commercial research organization, has undertaken a nationwide survey to determine whether people remember the messages that cleaning industry firms place on their advertising match books. More than 5,000 interviews will be conducted in 33 cities from coast to coast to determine the effectiveness of this form of advertising. The match industry is underwriting the costs of the independent study.

For cleaning industry firms interested in statistics and information on techniques of designing and distributing advertising match books, the industry has prepared a brochure, "The Best Read Book in America," which is available without obligation on inquiry to the Match Industry Information Bureau, 500 Fifth Ave., New

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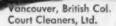


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of a piano concern across the street cars are able to pull in off the street, drop off their bundles and proceed on without any undue delay. After 9:30 a.m. the truck is pushed back across the street to the plant and removed out of sight until the next morning.

A direct-mail campaign featuring a diagram of the driving approach promoted this extra service.

day's work. A postcard will be mailed to the prospect two days before your scheduled call-back day.

What have been the results of this type of personalized selling? The first day's results showed this box score: Out of 55 contacts, the routemen obtained 15 over-the-arm orders and 30 future orders. Of the 30 future orders, 20 were expected to materialize-for a grand total of 35 orders out of 55 contacts.

Elite's last bit of advice to its routemen is this: "Remember! Sell a little more every day and have more takehome pay!"

Three Cheers

A variation on free flag cleaning for Flag Day is reported from Akron, Ohio, There on Armed Forces Day Margaret Hickel of Firestone Park Cleaners and Bill Hickel of Hickel's Dry Cleaning offered to clean without charge any red, white and blue garment.

Suede Sideline Pays



Katz, manager of Brothers' Park Circle Drive-in, Baltimore, has been doing suede garments on the average of 25 per week since 1953. It has proved to be a profitable sideline. It also has helped over-all drycleaning sales, as well.

The Park Circle Drive-in, one of three plants owned by the Paul brothers, charges \$5 for suede jackets, \$7.50 for suede coats, and \$12.50 for long coats or two-piece suede suits.

In photo, Fred is standing back from the spray so as not to inhale the fumes. At times he wears a mask. A suction fan draws the fumes away from him.

Plants without facilities to handle suedes can avail themselves of the services of many firms specializing in this business builder.

Prepared Door-to-Door Sales Pitch Helps Routemen

The only way to get more business is to ask for it, according to George Klinefelter, Sr., head of Elite Laundry in Baltimore, Md. And the best way to do it is to return to the personal selling method-on a door-to-door basis.

Mr. Klinefelter exhorts his routemen to get back into the habit of asking for the privilege of serving the customer and of inviting her to use Elite's services. The secret of Elite's success with personal selling is teaching the routeman the correct approach and arming him with a prepared doorto-door presentation:

"Good morning, ma'am!

"I am from Elite Dry Cleaners and I just stopped by for a moment with some

wonderful news for you.

"At times you may have received a garment back from your drycleaner that just didn't look right. For some reason it may have lost its new look and life. I am happy to tell you that Elite Dry Cleaners has overcome that problem.

"Every garment that you send to Elite receives a treatment that brightens colors, prolongs the life of the fabric and makes

your clothes wrinkle- and soil-resistant. Every garment receives over 11 complete changes of gentle, pure cleansing solvent. Top surface soil, as well as embedded soil, is removed. All your garments are finished from the inside out so that there is no seam impression or shine. This is really a wonderful, new process.

"The reason I stopped at your home today is to personally invite you to try this new process. Send in a garment, any garment, and when it comes back to you look at it-and you be the judge-and if you don't agree that it is the finest drycleaning you have ever seen-I will gladly tear up the bill.

"I will really appreciate one garment today so that you can see for yourself the outstanding quality of Elite drycleaning.

In addition to this prepared message, Elite's men also receive the following instructions:

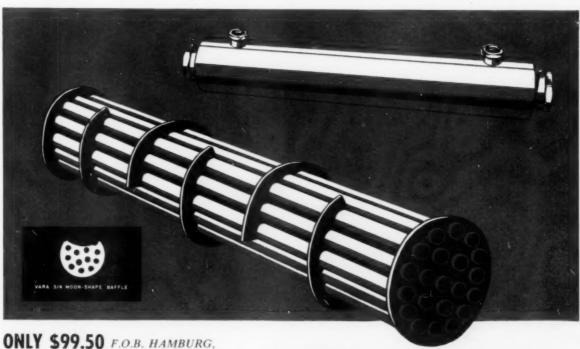
"If for some reason a prospect is unable to give you a garment, be sure and ask for a future call. Tell the prospect that she owes it to herself to send in just one garment and compare the difference!

"All future calls are to be turned in to your route supervisors at the end of each

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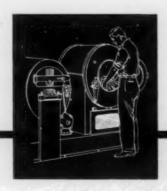
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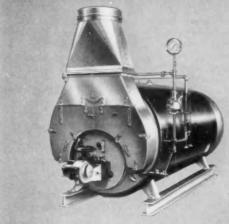
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August, 1956

EDITORIALS

Man in Gray Paper Suit

Can you imagine your customers quitting work, then putting their garments in the wastebasket instead of the laundry or drycleaning bundle? That is a distinct possibility in the near future. A leading paper manufacturer has developed a product identified as K-2000, made from balsam, spruce and jackpine trees.

Squeezed from these trees, the "textile" is produced on high speed paper-making machines rather than looms. Its immediate market is in atomic energy plants and laboratories where radioactive contamination may render garments useless. Inexpensive wrap-around laboratory coats, ponchos for outdoor workers, hospital gowns will quickly be made of this material. It can also be made flame- and water-resistant for still other uses.

Color and texture can be controlled to simulate the look and feel of real textiles. The fabric can be combined with rayon, nylon and glass, held together by an adhesive. It is said to cut like paper and sew like cloth, resisting needle tear. Fasteners and zippers are glued, not sewed to the material.

Future uses predicted are resort wear, bathing suits and even high fashion creations. We are not sounding the death knell of our industry. We are merely reporting a new development that can have an impact on your market.

It points up the increasing importance of delivering a completely acceptable cleaning job to the customers. We must keep telling them what we can do for them, rather than what we can't do. Positive advertising, backed up by quality work, can maintain consumer acceptance, prevent such products from making too great inroads in our volume.

This is no time for complacency. There is no comfort for the comfortable.

Back Home Days

Another year has rolled around and the twenty-sixth annual reunion of alumni of the National Institute of Drycleaning takes place this month. Meetings will be held at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C., and the Institute headquarters at Silver Spring, Maryland, August 10 through 12.

With each passing year these sessions take on increasing importance. Graduates of the earlier classes have logically become industry leaders. The education they gained as NID students gives them a tremendous advantage over most of us who had to learn through the "try it, then buy it" method.

At these annual get-togethers, the older alumni impart their experiences of applied knowledge to each other and the younger graduates. Because of their common bond as alumni, the discussions are factual, without fluff and puff. There is no reluctance to talk freely for fear of revealing secrets to competitors. More important, those in attendance discuss management problems and their answers.

Last year processing took a back seat to sales, public relations and employee motivation. This year a similar theme will prevail. The winners of the alumni-sponsored contest "News-Ideas-Doings" will be announced, and their entries read. This will provide fresh thinking concerning better customer relations for those who attend.

Another highlight will be a down-to-earth panel discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of shirt laundering in cleaning plants. A case history of box-storage promotion will make up part of the program devoted to merchandising ideas.

Unusual events have been planned too, for the wives who attend. All in all, it shapes up as the most informative program ever presented to the alumni members. It has one basic purpose: to make us better, more profitable cleaners. Every former student is urged to attend.

This message is not directed to that hard-core group who always come eagerly for the profitable meetings. It is meant for those who have failed to cash in fully on their class days. How long has it been since you were back?

Trends

Synthetic furlike fabrics are far from the flash in the pan that some supposed when they were first introduced. Major manufacturers of these materials are expanding their production facilities, putting more dollars into production.

Next season will find these fabrics in men's overcoats. A recent preview by one of the leading textile firms unveiled these and other new styles to be shown in an exclusive promotion through the country's finest stores. New blends produce coats that look more like mink than mink itself. Other applications aside from coats include berets, belts, mittens, sweaters and casual wear trimmed with furlike material.

There was a development at the style preview that carried great significance for our industry. Coincidental with the fashion show was an exhibit of the cleanability of the garments. Instead of flooding the market with unserviceable material, the manufacturer has cleaning and restoration methods that are practicable for every plant.

What was a mere drizzle of such garments last year will be a cloudburst for cleaners next season. We had better be ready to process and refinish them to the customers' satisfaction.



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New comfort-zone compartments in Chevrolet panel and Suburban Carryall models make your work easier and safer than ever before. And they give you the pleasure and prestige of style that equals many passenger cars!

Those numbers in the picture (right) point out features that make business almost a *pleasure* when you work behind the wheel of a modern Chevrolet Task-Force truck! Here are some of the reasons why hauling in a Chevy is *easy on you*:

Concealed Safety Steps—located inside the doors—stay clear of snow, mud, and ice, give you firmer, safer footing. Spacious leg room helps keep you comfortable all day long, brings you home fresher and more relaxed. Nu-Flex seat design means comfortable hauling! Jackstringer springs give ideal body support; seat back adjusts easily. High-Level ventilation system keeps the interior clean, cool, comfortable. Intake is at the bottom of the windshield—away from road heat and dust. No-Glare instrument panel, with handsome two-tone



finish, puts instruments and controls within easy sight and reach. **②** Panoramic windshield provides a full 1000 square inches of forward viewing area to make driving safer, easier.

And you'll find bright, stylish interior appointments that add to your sense of pleasure on the job. If your work calls for long hours on the road, you'll enjoy life more in a Chevrolet truck! Check one over for yourself at your dealer's. . . . Chevrolet Division of General Motors, Detroit 2, Michigan.



These fleet, nimble, lightduty Chevies help you get more done more easily!

Staying ahead of tight hauling schedules is a breeze in these modern trucks! Efficient short-stroke V8's' get you where you're going faster—and with good economy. Ball-Gear steering saves you time and work in traffic. And for the ultimate in easy going, there are power brakes, power steering, Hydra-Matic transmission!'

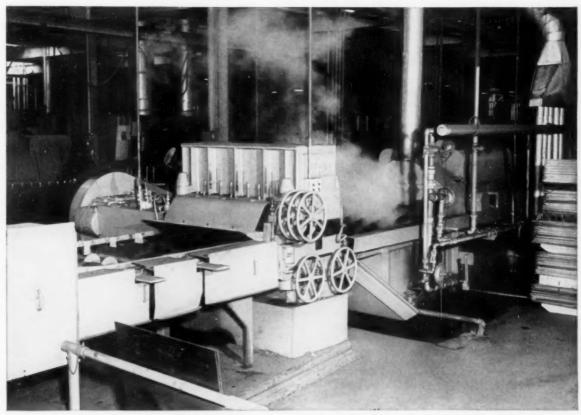
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J. E. Marquad, owner of Marquad's North Beach Cleaners & Laundry in Miami Beach, Fla., operates in an especially high-humidity area. His report on the phosphate-lined DOW-PER drum: "It gives a first-rate solvent all the time. Right off the top or last drop, I've never found corrosive particles or sludge. I have with some other solvents. And I like the reliability of a product from Dow."

DOW-PER cures your high-humidity hangover

Drum's special phosphate lining keeps stored or open solvent pure, prevents breakdown so dangerously common when humidity climbs.

The coating you see being applied in the top picture means a lot to you. It's phosphate. It blocks moisture formation. It keeps dow-per® solvent uncontaminated no matter how high the humidity. Dow-per reaches you with this degree of protection . . . which is of importance to every synthetic plant owner.

Long-established Dow-Per is your best buy on all counts. Always uniform, always available, Dow-Per helps your units run the smoothest, fastest cycles in the business. And your Dow-Per distributor has a satchel full of colorful new aids to help you tell a really convincing selling story to all the customers you'd like to have. Ask him for a supply when you place that next Dow-Per order. The Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan.

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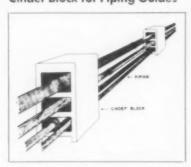
GADGETS and **GIMMICKS**

Keep It Neat



Used frozen food lockers purchased by Harry Hudlow, Westside Laundry and Drycleaners, West LaFayette, Indiana, have proved to be a convenient and systematic way to store supplies in the plant. The plantowners came across these lockers and bought them for a fraction of their original cost. Each drawer holds extra stocks of cleaning fluid, unfolded paper boxes, hangers, wrapping paper and most of the other miscellaneous items that previously took up valuable floor space in various sections of the plant.

Cinder Block for Piping Guides



After being in an almost continuous process of remodeling his plant and revising his layout for several years, one Tennessee drycleaner has developed a technique of handling temporary pipelines. He supports them in cinder blocks spaced at 4- to 8-foot intervals. The blocks are the 8-by-8-by-16-inch size with one hole 6 by 4 inches and the other two holes each 6 by 3 inches.

He runs the steam line through

the bigger hole at the top, with the block standing on end. The return line goes through the middle and the air and vacuum lines through the bottom. He has also run a water line and insulated electric cable through the bottom holes on occasion.

At one point where his routemen tended to run the truck bumpers against the piping, the drycleaner set a dozen cinder blocks tight together as a guard, with the pipes inside. On another occasion when the pipes crossed an entrance used by the employees, he put several blocks together as a step, again with the piping inside.

The plantowner likes to support the pipes off the ground so that moisture doesn't collect underneath to hasten corrosion, and so that dirt and dust don't collect there where they are hard to get at. Also, he likes to make cinder blocks!

Plant Measures Production In Pounds

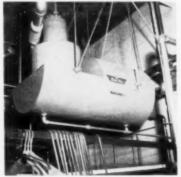


Output is calculated in pounds rather than pieces at Elite Cleaners and Dyers, Pasadena, California, As the finished work passes the inspection department, it rides on the curved section of slickrail shown above.

This section of rail is affixed to the platform of the scale by two slickrail hangers and a piece of pipe that is welded to the scale. The curved portion of the slickrail is free from the regular line at the two points circled above. The weight of the load then appears on the dial of the scale, and is recorded by the production control clerk.

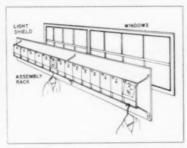
This is one of many innovations introduced by George and Carl DuNah, Jr., sons of one of the owners of Elite.

Suspended Air Vacuum



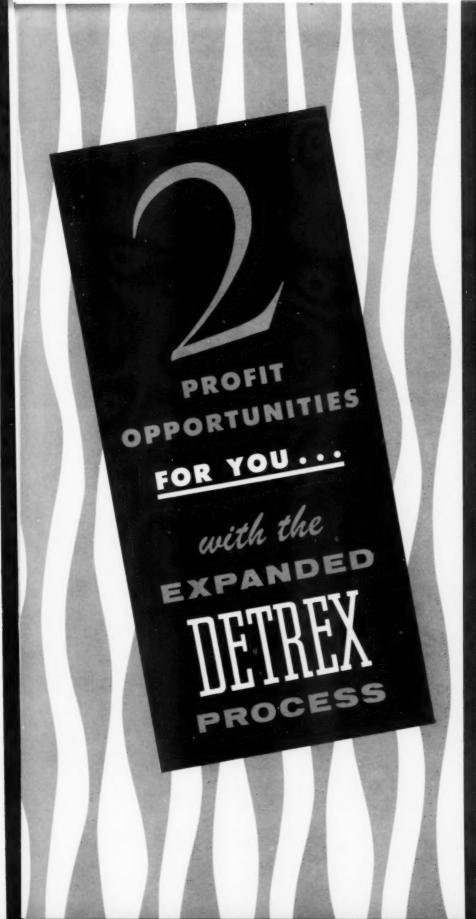
Ceiling suspension of the air vacuum saves space at Inges Sanitary Laundry at Portsmouth, Virginia. This new package plant includes laundry as well as drycleaning equipment; floor space is at a premium. This installation saved valuable square feet. It also permitted the vacuum unit to be positioned immediately adjacent to the spotting and finishing equipment. The unit operates with maximum efficiency and minimum usage of piping.

Shield for Assembly Rack



Assembly girls at Boone Cleaners, Elizabethtown, Kentucky, complained of eyestrain and difficulty in reading invoices and slot numbers on one side of the split-rail assembly. A row of windows caused too great a contrast between the outside light and the numbers on the rail.

This was overcome by running a shield the full length of the rail, and just behind it. The shield also projects 6 inches above and below the line of invoices. This doesn't blot the windows out entirely, but provides a large enough dark area so the eye can pick out slot numbers and read the invoices without squinting.



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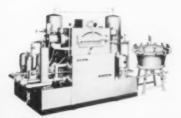
More profit from every sales dollar because Detrex reduces your cleaning and finishing costs. Wet-cleaning and reruns are virtually eliminated. Hand spotting is reduced to a bare minimum. Thus more garments can be processed in less time at less cost to you. This adds up to higher profit.

More sales dollars because Detrex gives you the finest in cleaning quality and fast service. Your customer will notice the improvement and word will soon get around. In every single instance, installation of the Detrex Process has boosted business immediately. Don't take our word for it, check any Detrex owner yourself.

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Handle increased business with your present facilities by installing a Dialamatic conveyor unit. The Dialamatic allows you to handle 39% more volume within your present area. Conveyorized handling means lower handling costs, too . . . an additional profit-making feature from Detrex.

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DIAL AND DELIVER . .



As easy as dialing a telephone . . . and faster! Just turn the dial to the order number and there it is . . . the complete order at your sales counter in seconds.



SAVE TIME

Your counter attendant stays with the customer, eliminating annoying delays caused by searching for garments. Dialamatic delivers your customers' garments to the counter in seconds.

Dialamatic conveyor handles 39% more orders in the same space you now use. Patented 30° hanging of garments stores more garments per square foot of space. Eliminates waste space for aisles in storage area.

Dialamatic conveyors will actually boost sales by improving customer relations. Efficient, modern garment delivery builds confidence in your over-all operation. Even at heaviest rush hours, your counter attendant stays with the customers.

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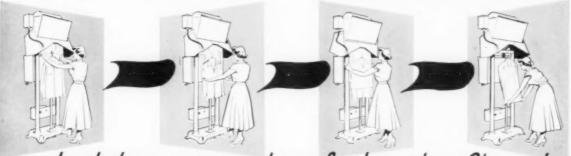
Speed up bagging of garments. Simple foot control eliminates manual lifting.



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CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, INC. BOX 501, DETROIT 32, MICHIGAN

PRODUCTION LINE



polyethylene garment bags for less than 2½ each

Bag-It is the garment packaging machine that makes it possible for you to package all your fine dry cleaning in Polyethylene for less than 21/4 per 36-inch bag...less than printed paper bags of the same size.

Bag-It was built for production. In approximately 15 to 20 seconds you can package any length garment in the four easy steps illustrated above. Present Bag-It users are packaging 175 garments per hour with ease... Bag-It operates on your plant's own 110 volt electric current, vacuum and air lines making it a powerful, efficient machine.

A 1000 yard roll of continuous Polyethylene tube with a 4 inch gusset is used in the Bag-It machine to form a perfect fitting bag exactly the right length. This feature alone saves you 15% in Polyethylene material costs. The approved Poly rolls weigh 40 to 42 lbs. and are made of % mill Polyethylene. These rolls can be printed in three colors and the cost per 36 inch printed bag is 3.34 each.

The consumer reaction to Polyethylene packaged garments is tremendous. Present Bag-It users have had up to 30% increase in dry cleaning sales. It's no wonder either because customers like to see the garments in the bag at the pick-up station and at home in the closet. Housewives appreciate Poly bags because they can identify the contents in the bag and they will re-use the Poly around the house. With your name imprinted on it, think of the reminder advertising value you will be enjoying.

Bag-It is manufactured under the following U.S. Patents: 2,479,552; 2,545,337; 2,637,504; 2,639,566; 2,674,974 and other patents pending. You purchase Bag-It free and clear at \$1,450.00 (slightly higher in the West) F. O. B. Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Bag-It is guaranteed to perform efficiently.

Write the closest distributor listed below and be the first in your community to economically package garments with Polyethylene with Bag-It. You will be sent detailed literature and a free sample of a Bag-It made Polyethylene bag.





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SUGGESTIVE SELLING through signs aids counter salesgirls. There are at least five services advertised in above picture. Can you find them? Firm also uses television, radio, newspaper, inserts and Welcome Wagon for increasing sales. Special promotions, like box storage, give girls opportunity for special banuses

How Would You Like a 500% Volume Increase?

Incentive program for counter girls helped bring it about in Virginia plant

By ART SCHUELKE

ARE YOU AVERAGING less than \$1,000 a week in your plant? That was the situation a little over three years ago at Cinderella Cleaners and Launderers in Richmond, Virginia. Now its drycleaning volume has increased fivefold and over-all sales run near \$500,000 annually. Sounds like a fairy tale, and the story of how it happened is even stranger, but it's true.

There is no pat formula for success, although in the final analysis it includes business acumen, merchandising, salesmanship and daring to do things differently from the accepted pattern. The latter reason keynotes the success of Cinderella.

For example, immediately upon taking over the business the new owners raised prices in what had been traditionally a cut-price operation. They budgeted 8 percent of their gross for advertising, four times the industry average. They still spend 4 percent, although dollarwise this is far above their original expenditures.

Cinderella put its counter girls on an incentive program, rather than a straight salary. It instituted a sound sales training program for all store help and route salesmen. The results of the training and incentive programs play a vital part in the success of this business.

Since similar programs can be helpful to all cleaners, E. A. Shoemaker, president of the firm, agreed to divulge its program.

Store Incentives on Collective Basis

Management of Cinderella decided that store sales costs should hold at 10 percent. This is exclusive of rent, light, supplies and other cost factors. The girls in a given store divide up 10 percent of that store's gross sales. Each outlet operates independently of the others in arriving at the bonus figure. Within each outlet the girls function as a team. The firm presently has seven branches and the main plant call office. Crew sizes vary, but the larger stores are handled by four girls. In every case, pay is straight commission, with no guarantee.

In addition to the regular commission (in lieu of straight salary), the girls are offered special incentives on promotional items. For example, the firm is currently engaged in a box storage drive. Each store's quota is 10 orders a week. If the quota is met, the girls get an extra dollar per box bonus. In case they just meet quota, the girls in that store divide \$10 among them. If they sell only nine, there is no extra commission.

The counter girls are backed up on these promotional drives by television, newspaper and radio advertising, as well as other forms of merchandising. Window streamers, as well as store interior trim, offer sales aids to the girls, too. During the present box storage promotion the girls wear teaser buttons which say, "Ask me about box storage." They are "fined" 50 cents if they are caught without the button while on duty.

The girls are so imbued with the spirit of selling, it is a revelation. One was encountered a few blocks from the plant, on her way home after work. She still had on her pin! Whenever a customer brings in a winter garment for cleaning, she is given the box storage story. Often the girls will hold a box with a few items for the customer for several days. It gives the patron a chance to bring in other winter apparel to get the box full. A visit to a couple of outlets revealed each store had a half dozen or so boxes partially full, awaiting another armload from the housewife.

Selection and Training

Jobs as counter girls for Cinderella Cleaners are considered highly desirable. What few vacancies occur are usually filled by some person recommended by a present employee. Only on rare occasions is it necessary to run a newspaper advertisement.

When an applicant is to be hired, she is first interviewed by the store manager of the main plant. This person, Lillian Ellis, is completely familiar with hiring techniques and understands selling.

Applicants are asked if they prefer straight salary, commission and salary or straight commission. If they indicate a preference for the first two they aren't hired. This organization wants people who want to earn on their abilities. After the initial screening, management further interviews the job seeker. In most cases the decision of the store manager is accepted. She then has the responsibility of training the new girl, and the right to dismiss all counter personnel.

The new employee is a trainee for at least three weeks. Even if a help shortage exists, the new girl is given complete training in the main plant. Girls from the plant call office or other stores will cover the vacancy caused by people who are absent or who have left the company. During the training period the girl is on straight salary.

The first week of employment is devoted to educating the new girl in drycleaning processing of garments. She does actual production work, starting in the marking department, right on through cleaning, spotting, finishing and assembly. While the trainee doesn't do the cleaning or spotting, she does help in classifying and sorting. She learns all the pro-



TYPICAL of seven branch offices operated by this successful Virginia cleaner. All work is processed in main plant. Activation is achieved in three stores by shoe repair operation. Plant offers complete drycleaning, laundry and shoe service

Fresh Outlook + Combined Abilities = Success

What is the recipe for a successful plant? Here are the ingredients used at Cinderella Cleaners and Launderers. Mix together one butcher, one petroleum engineer and a canvas goods salesman. Form a corporation and buy a sick cleaning plant doing well under \$1,000 a week. Expose the plant to the butcher's business sense, the engineer's analytical mind and the salesman's merchandising ability.

Within six months, bring it to a boil by adding a shirt unit. For extra zest use 8 percent of volume for advertising. A year later buy an old broken-down laundry. Somewhere along the way throw in shoe repairs for more complete customer service. If allowed to simmer in a good market such as Richmond, Virginia, it can gross close to a half million dollars annually.

That's what happened when E. A. Shoemaker, William

Evitt and Don Gervasoni formed their partnership three and a half years ago. "Shoe" was the canvas goods salesman, Bill the engineer and Don, the butcher. Without prior knowledge of the cleaning business, they didn't know all the things they weren't supposed to do. They were able to see the forest for the trees. Today they have 8 stores and 10 truck routes, all within metropolitan Richmond, and are still growing.

We could devote a whole issue to some of their innovations, such as sales contests, the use of microfilm for their records or employee relations. What they have done with box storage is a story in itself. So much has come in they have had to remove the garment rails in their vaults. But behind it all is a very sound program of sales training and motivation, What they have done for store sales is told in detail in the adjoining story.

"What's in it

"Why should I switch to Sanitone?

Any dry cleaner eligible to become a Sanitone licensee is not only equipped to maintain quality standards well above average, but he is sure also to possess above-average business ability and dry cleaning "know-how." Otherwise Emery would not have approached him. Moreover, it is likely he is already well established and making money. He owes it to himself, therefore, to demand convincing answers to the questions above before he will even consider any deviation from his present course. Sanitone is well prepared to give him the kind of answers he wants and deserves.

You Sell Yourself...Or There's No Sale

First of all, no well established dry cleaner can afford to abandon a method which has served him well without positive proof that the change is decisively for the better. Sanitone furnishes, free of cost, just such proof—cleaning every garment received in his plant for a full week following the correct Sanitone procedure.

The demonstration is conducted by an engineer qualified as an expert in dry cleaning techniques. His only chance to keep Sanitone permanently in this plant is to do such a superior job that an experienced, and often skeptical, dry cleaner sees sufficient merit to justify the changeover. Literally, the prospect must sell himself on Sanitone or there is no sale. Not until then is he ready to judge the whole Sanitone Program.

Nationally Advertised

For years the only nationally advertised service, Sanitone today is backed by the biggest campaign in all dry cleaning history. Powerful ads appearing regularly in America's best-read magazines give the Sanitone Dry Cleaner a well known name to sell... impart a prestige which adds tremendously to the selling force of his own local advertising.

4-fold Profit Building Program

 Heart of this program is the Sanitone Process for both petroleum and synthetic systems. Unsurpassed in thoroughness, it costs no more than any other process—less than the so-called super-charge when used as prescribed. Constant scientific research in one of the world's most modern laboratories gives ample assurance that Sanitone's quality leadership will continue.

2. A specially trained engineer stands ready at all times to furnish any help a licensee may need to get maximum benefits from any phase of the Sanitone program. He is prepared to render expert, practical help during his periodic visits, on quality control, cleaning, finishing, plant layout, advertising or any other problems. He is available also to conduct sales meetings, to help plan market research on which to base better route and store operations.

Next...Sell the Consumer

3. The principal motive of dry cleaners who take on Sanitone is to improve quality. The next step is to sell that better quality to the community. This is no problem to a Sanitone licensee. He has at his command an advertising and sales-building program without parallel in the dry cleaning industry.

Professionally Prepared Local Advertising

4. The best of news travels much too slowly when spread by word of mouth alone. The progressive Sanitone Dry Cleaner can't wait. He hastens success by advertising in newspapers, using direct mail and perhaps radio and/or television. He does so with confidence because for everything he needs to do, an effective, professional-type job of advertising is prepared by one of America's leading advertising agencies.

Every year the Sanitone Dry Cleaner receives two large books of newspaper ad proofs—one for spring and summer, the other for fall and winter. Each contains about 75 ads with enough variation in both size and subject matter to provide an effective, hard-hitting campaign for any budget. There is no charge for these books and mats are free of cost. Periodically, too, the Sanitone Dry Cleaner receives

for me?" Dry Cleaner Asks...

What further gains can I expect?"

a third free book in which the newspaper ads deal with such specialties as cottons, rugs, blankets, slip covers, skirts, gloves, hats, fur storage, and other specialties of various kinds.

Also included is practical advice on the use of posters, car cards, radio and TV, movie trailers, home show exhibits, classified phone book ads, window and interior displays, publicity, public relations, shirt board and shirt band advertising, even how to make your own direct mail pieces from matbook ads. And if this isn't enough, additional help is available through the Sanitone engineer.

Periodic Special Promotions

The foregoing helps are supplemented each year by six special promotions. Each one consists of a complete kit containing special newspaper ad proofs, radio commercials, button tags and direct mail pieces together with information and suggestions for making the promotion a success.

The Sanitone Dry Cleaner may have all the ad mats and radio commercials he needs free of all cost and may order printed matter at cost.

Each promotion is designed to do a specific job. For example, Number 1, National Tie Cleaning Time, in February and Number 3, Annual Cotton Clinic, for all summer have shown spectacular ability to boost volume substantially at times when serious slumps were formerly the rule. Number 2, Pre-Easter appeal, and Number 6, Pre-Holiday campaign, have proved equally effective for leveling off peaks which otherwise make a nightmare of the periods mentioned. Number 4, National Contest, is based upon a nationally advertised contest offering \$5,000.00 in prizes. Its record for attracting hosts of new customers has been truly sensational. Finally, Number 5, New Customer promotion provides a spurt toward healthy business growth.

Here again, the Sanitone Dry Cleaner is free to call upon his engineer for advice and assistance in public relations, special promotions, employee contests and incentives, publicity, advertising—anything to help insure success!

Research-The Soul of Sanitone

Behind the engineer stand all the resources of the famous Emery Research Laboratory with its brilliant record of innovations and improvements, without parallel in the dry cleaning industry.

Here the Sanitone process, the first charged system patented 25 years ago, originated and here countless improvements have been developed to keep Sanitone always well ahead of the field. Here, too, originates all operating data to be sure every Sanitone engineer knows the theory and practice of Sanitone and here he can always find all the assistance he needs when new problems are encountered. However, the principal function of Sanitone research is to maintain the constant improvement in Sanitone Dry Cleaning which has been an important factor in the success of Sanitone licensees during the past quarter century.

An Asset of Constantly Growing Value

Any Sanitone Dry Cleaner who takes full advantage of all the values outlined above is not only sure of profits well above industry average, but is also assured continuing growth in stature as a leader in his community. Nevertheless, the entire cost for Sanitone, including the complete program, averages less than 2ϵ per garment cleaned...less than the usual average for bags and hangers! Isn't this definitely worth a closer look? Write today to

SANITONE, 4200 Carew Tower, Cincinnati 2, Ohio, for information on the only complete program offered to a dry cleaner.



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EXTERIOR VIEW of branch office shows eye-catching storage promotion. Good merchandising plus training of salespeople has increased drycleaning volume five times over in $3\,\%_2$ years

Continued from page 39 cedures used in those departments. All her time is devoted to process, absorbing product knowledge. No attempt is made to teach her selling at this point. She does learn scheduling, pricing and other points that will stand her in good stead when she becomes a saleslady.

All of the second week is spent in the laundry department. Here the trainee doesn't do any work, but merely observes the several steps of the operation. It would slow production of shirts, for example, to break up a crew while the novice attempted to finish them. She does become familiar with every phase of laundry processing, the amount of expensive equipment required and the care given customers' apparel.

Finally, in the third week, the trainee learns selling. She is carefully coached by the main plant store manager. She helps the counter personnel

Inspired leadership injects enthusiasm and team spirit at Cinderella Cleaners. Here is a plant that has tempo, an indefinable something that one feels as he enters. The sharp "hiss-hiss" of the presses, hum of the washwheels, the quick movements of the employees make one feel that here is a dynamic plant, going places.

Management and employees alike are completely engrossed in the plant and its success. During our interview, company president E. A. Shoemaker commented to one of the counter girls, "This is the busiest morning we've ever had!" and she agreed. Nothing unusual about that, except it was nearly six o'clock at night! No one watching the clock in this plant.

index and list orders. She listens to the other girls as they wait upon customers. She learns the various services the firm offers, such as shoe repair, complete laundering and drycleaning. She becomes aware of the importance of suggestive selling, such as waterproofing on rainwear, mothproofing of blankets, and box storage.

Toward the end of the week the trainee begins to wait upon customers herself. At this time she is given a quiz by Mr. Shoemaker. He has a list of questions typical of those asked by the average patron. These involve service, prices, store hours, and dozens of other things that people may ask. On those which she misses, she is given the correct answers and told to study them. Another quiz is given later to make certain the girls completely understand what they are selling, and how to sell it.

Tape Recorder Is Selling Tool

The owners of Cinderella Cleaners are great believers in the use of tape recorders. They use the device, not as a one-shot gimmick, but a continuing sales tool. On the counter at the main plant are two microphones which are generally a part of an intercom system. Near the end of the trainee's time at the main plant counter, this mike is hooked up to the tape recorder.

Unknown to the trainee, her discussions with customers are picked up. Later that day she is invited back to the office of Mr. Shoemaker and told about the tape, It is played back to show her how she sounded to the customer. The good points of her presentation are told to her, as well as those on which she needs further training.

Before the new girl is transferred to her own store, another tape is made to show her where she has made improvement or needs still further help. The normal training period takes three weeks. If the girl isn't completely ready, this may be extended for a longer period until she can stand on her own two feet. Mr. Shoemaker says, "The girl can make amends to the manager when she makes mistakes during training, but once you make them to the customers in your own stores, you are stupid forevermore in the eyes of the customers." The girls are given every opportunity to be fully armed before they meet the public on their own.

The tape recorder is used extensively whenever new promotional campaigns are launched. Weeks before a campaign is started on TV, radio and newspapers, every salesperson is given the selling talk that goes with that particular promotion, They get to hear how it might sound to the customer. Management will ask them questions typical of those the housewives may raise about that special promotion. Their answers are played back. This applies to the older salespeople as well as the trainees. Meetings are held regularly every Wednesday, except during peak seasons when the problem is to get the work out, not to bring it in.

Cinderella Cleaners realizes that personal selling must back up even the most elaborate advertising campaign. Not only the route salesmen and counter girls are properly trained in selling. The switchboard operator at the main plant comes in for her share of this, too. So that she will be completely familiar with selling techniques, the attitude of the public and plant conditions, she spends an hour and a half a day at the main plant's counter, waiting on trade.

Management here wants all its salespeople to have all the help it can give them. The better equipped are these people, the better the chances for extra sales. These sales figures are not closely guarded secrets from the salespeople. As a matter of fact, the girls themselves make up the volume report sheets.

It was mentioned earlier that these counter selling jobs are highly desirable. At the time of this writing, there was one trainee who had been on the payroll several months awaiting an opening in one of the stores. During the interim, she was working in the cleaning plant and filling in for absent counter help when need arises.

The several-week training period, the meetings, use of the tape recorder may seem like a considerable expense. Actually, the time and money involved are a sound investment. The results prove it. # #



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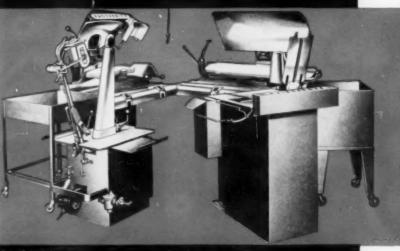
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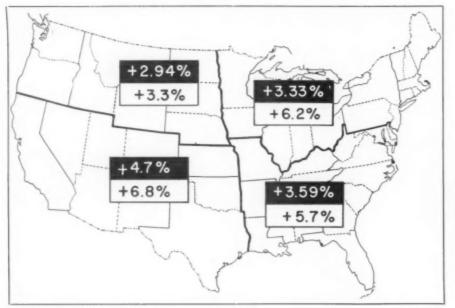
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ALL FOUR SECTIONS of the country show moderate gains far first half of 1956. Some localized conditions have affected volume, as in farm areas of lowa and Dust Bowl region. Recent upswing after late spring shows over-all average increase of 3.64 percent, nearly on 3.5 percent target predicted by Peter B. B. Andrews forecast published in December

Plant Surveys Bear Out Drycleaning Sales Forecast

Cleaners generally report upswing in sales curve over 1955 volume

LAST DECEMBER The NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER published a business forecast prepared especially for the industry by Peter B. B. Andrews, noted economist, At that time he predicted a record-breaking volume for cleaners in 1956. He estimated sales would increase 3.5 percent over last year.

The report further indicated that equipment sales would increase since half of all drycleaning equipment needed replacement.

After the year was six months along, we conducted a sample poll of cleaners to see how sales actually have been. Were Mr. Andrews' estimates high or low?

To give us the answers we selected representative plants all over the country. Their known volume ranged from \$35,000 a year to over \$500,000 in sales. The majority of the plants selected fell in the more moderate volume category to get a truer picture.

Nearly 35 percent of all plants contacted have responded as this goes to press. That's a remarkably high figure for any survey, particularly when detailed information is requested. Cleaners in 32 states have revealed their volume trends, equipment purchases and expansion plans.

Over 67 percent of cleaners reporting report increases ranging from 1 to 22 percent. The balance of nearly 23 percent have experienced declines in the first six months ranging from .002 to 20 percent, The average of all figures reported indicates these cleaners collectively have had an increase of 3.64 percent over-all.

Some areas have been hard hit economically, such as rural Iowa and the Dust Bowl. Also, February and March sales were not up to expectations even where substantial increases were reported for the first six months. In those areas a good January, plus accelerated sales in late April, May and June have turned the tide.

Reporting plants appear optimistic for the balance of the year. This is probably due to the recent wave of good business they are experiencing. They expect to gain an average of 5½ percent for the last six months of this year over the same period in 1955.

Equipment purchases appeared substantial among the reporting plants. In the interest of simplifying the questionnaire we listed the standard items for checking. A space was left to indicate miscellaneous equipment by

Here is how purchases ran so far in 1956, among the plants who did the buying:

Equipment purchased	Percentage buying
Synthetic cleaning machines	. 12.9
Petroleum cleaning machines	
Petroleum drying tumblers	. 16.12
Synthetic reclaiming tumblers	9.67
Spotting boards	. 22.58
Air-driven utility presses	
Foot-operated utility presses	. 16.12
Offset silk presses	. 19.35
Steam-air finishers	
Solvent coolers	12.9
Boilers	12.9
Air compressors	
Shirt finishing presses	

Miscellaneous purchases included trucks, storage vaults, shirt washing When you think of DRY CLEANING EQUIPMENT

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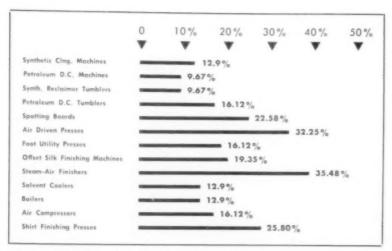






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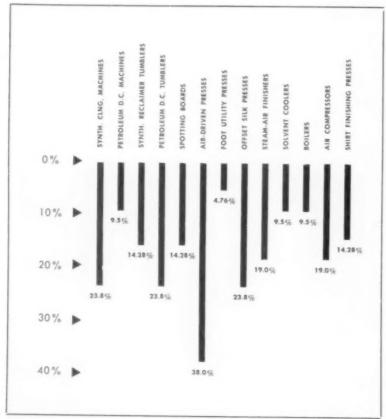




OF ALL PLANTS RESPONDING to NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER survey, 61.6 percent bought some equipment during post year. Above graph shows how these buying plants made their purchoses. Air-driven presses, steam-air finishers and shirt equipment led. Miscellaneous purchases included trucks, air vacuum machines, puff irons, rug cleaning equipment, among other items.

machines, cooling equipment, puff irons, air vacuum units, air-conditioning equipment, pillow cleaning machines and tie presses. One plant also reported purchase of on-location rug cleaning equipment. Hot-water heaters were also purchased.

Of all the reporting plants, 44.6 percent indicated they expected to buy equipment during the last half of 1956.



HIGH PERCENTAGE of plants plan additional purchases during second half of 1956. Nearly 45 percent of plants in reader pall expect to buy before 1957. Above graph shows how they intend to expend money for new machinery. Not shown but reported were intentions to install storage vaults, trucks, water softeners

Many Purchases Planned

The plants were asked to indicate what equipment they planned to purchase for the balance of the year. All items shown in the list on page 44 are in for their share of sales, with a few dominating the field. Better than 23 percent of the plants propose to buy synthetic cleaning machines and a like quantity of reclaiming tumblers before year end, and 38 percent expect to buy air-driven presses. Some 14 percent expect to purchase shirt finishing machines.

Miscellaneous equipment purchases among the reporting plants will include water softeners, trucks, storage vaults and air vacuums.

Summarized, we find that nearly 62 percent of the plants have already made purchases this year and about 45 percent expect to replace or add equipment before the end of the year.

A little less than 5 percent of the plants have added self-operating feeder plants. A similar percentage expects to expand in this manner before 1957. Almost half of the plants reporting have added call offices, or will this year.

Significantly, just under 20 percent of those polled have added to their route sales setup. Increasing awareness of the importance of route operations appears to be a current trend in the industry.

Other trends are the accelerated acceptance of air-driven presses and continued growth of synthetic equipment sales. Some 5 percent of the plants told us that they have switched from petroleum to perk cleaning. A similar number expect to make this switch. One plant reported the reverse, is converting to petroleum cleaning equipment.

Changes Bring Business

An interesting fact bobbed up in a study of the reports. The greatest volume increases occurred among the cleaners who had made equipment changes or increased their distribution setup. A good number of those plants that have remained static regarding equipment or outlets reported little volume change or, more generally, significant decreases. It bears out the old adage that business never stands still. It either goes forward or slips back. If you are doing everything exactly the same as it was done a year ago, you are going backwards.

By and large, the cleaners are operating progressively. They provide sufficient impetus to overcome the inertia of the small percentage. It would appear that the industry will live up to the predictions of Mr. Andrews and realize its best year. # #

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GOOD DYEWORK

Plantowner believes today's cleaners lack a realistic approach to garment redyeing

By WILLIAM R. PALMER

WHENEVER DYEWORK LAGS a little at Eagle Dry Cleaners in Nashville, Temmessee, Bailey Franklin buys a \$90 spot commercial on the TV wrestling program. Two such commercials, at most, will rebuild his dyework backlog. TV wrestling isn't that good for spot commercials! What makes them work is Eagle's reputation in the Nashville area for quality dyework. The slightest reminder stirs the public to action.

Bailey Franklin started his working career in the dyehouse. His present dyeman was trained by him and has been with him for years. Garment redyeing presents few serious problems to this pair, although Bailey now spends all his time running a fastgrowing dryeleaning and laundry business.

While this plant does its own work, the average cleaner can build up a profitable sideline without any dyeing equipment. There are many reputable firms throughout the country who specialize in this work for other cleaners.

Eagle Dry Cleaners itself did a considerable volume on a wholesale basis at one time. This it has been steadily reducing because of its cleaning and laundry business. Mr. Franklin insists there is still plenty of good retail dyework to be had in any locality. He stresses the word "good." He refers to garment redyeing in the sense that it encompasses households, rugs and draperies as well as wearing apparel.

Even when plants send their work out for dyeing, there is still a sufficient amount of profit to make it worth while. Price is the main factor controlling the quality of garments coming into the plant for redyeing. [Perhaps the word "recoloring" would create more customer demand.—ED.] Eagle Drycleaners has a \$5 minimum for a plain dress. This automatically eliminates most of the unserviceable items that give the average dyehouse the majority of its headaches and customer dissatisfaction. Whenever the impractical items start showing up in any quantity Bailey raises his price. In the past decade prices have risen from \$3 to \$5.

Of the garments that come in at his price "about 5 percent" is the most that ever has to be returned to customers untouched, as impossible to dye satisfactorily. Another 5 to 8 percent require discussion with customers, which is economically practical at a good price. These garments have to be dyed black, or being a mixture of synthetic fibers they may have a "salt and pepper" look, or they may not finish so well after dyeing.

Forewarning Satisfies Customer

The first axiom for not disappointing a customer is to make the truth entirely clear in the very beginning. But usually a customer is not happy with the garment as it is and will insist it be dyed, anyhow, at her own risk. Because the company has not minimized probable imperfections in results, the actual quality achieved is likely to be highly acceptable to the customer.

From his own experience with wholesale accounts in the past, Bailey Franklin believes too many drycleaners become dissatisfied with dyework because they expect miracles. They may have damaged the garments in their own plants and expect dyehouses to get them out of jams with their customers. He further feels that the cleaners have only themselves to blame for quoting low prices that bring in the hard-to-do items. These items dve so badly that the customers scream loud enough to scare off all the good garments that might otherwise be brought in.

There's plenty of good dyework to be had, if the cleaner goes after it in the right way! # #

Recoloring can easily become your most profitable sideline. In subsequent issues you will be given helpful information to help you identify serviceable and unserviceable garments. You will also read about dyeing procedures, the skills and equipment required in professional, quality dyehouses.

If you are seeking a source for your dyework, refer to the "Dyeing" listing in our annual Guidebook Issue.

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Left: DRIVER DOES ALL WORK, can handle 100 to 125 pillows in eight-hour day because of three-minute process for 95 percent sterilization. Machine uses ultraviolet rays. Right: TRUCK INTERIOR shows finished pillows in new ticking, wrapped in cellophane. Sewing machine



is visible on top of shelf at left. Large drum holds old ticking, cardboard boxes and small barrels contain new feathers. Scales on top of shelf near front of truck are used to determine proper size of pillow being rebuilt

Law Stops Truck But Not Pillow Sales

Mobile unit designed for at-the-door renovation hits snag in state ruling

By LOU BELLEW

AT-THE-DOOR pillow renovation service for hospitals and institutions in the Pasadena, California, area, was a good idea. But Conrad Green found his method ran afoul of state law.

With full approval of the state inspectors Mr. Green, owner of Poppy Cleaners in Pasadena, converted a standard walk-in-type delivery truck into a mobile pillow-renovating plant, with equipment to perform a complete pillow service.

The mobile unit, equipped with ultraviolet-ray equipment for 95 percent sterilization of pillows, was an immediate hit with the doctors and staffs of the local hospitals. Many large accounts were lined up in the first three months of operation, because of the fast 3-minute-per-pillow cycle and the fact the pillows never had to leave the institution premises.

Then the blow fell. The small print



REVAMPED old walk-in truck, repainted and lettered to stress a needed service, contains all the equipment necessary to perform all pillow services on the spat. Truck is white, blue-lettered

of the law was brought to Mr. Green's attention. The equipment was perfectly legal for all pillows, except "no institutions, such as hospitals"!

In California the only accepted

method for the sterilization of hospital equipment is by steam. However, according to state law, it is perfectly legal for the hospital to lease this mobile pillow renovator from Mr. Green,

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That's all there is to it...and you've eliminated most of the customer complaints that are caused by moisture systems.



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if an employee of the hospital operates it for this purpose. The idea of the hospital employee operating the equipment has not caught on with hospital authorities, presumably because of the red tape involved.

Unit Not a Loss

According to Mr. Green, the affair was quite a disappointment since it was quickly evident he could have had enough hospital business to keep half a dozen such units busy on a fulltime schedule.

However, the expenditure of just

short of \$3,000 for the revamped truck and all the equipment is not lost. The mobile unit occupies a place of honor on the lot behind the plant and is used to process pillows brought in off the routes.

Three California licenses are needed for the operation of such a mobile unit as this: a renovation license, a sterilization license, and a manufacturing license. The sterilization license Mr. Green was unable to get because the unit didn't use steam for sterilization. But he does have the renovation license and the manufacturing license. The latter allows him a very profitable

sideline in pillows from another angle.

Located as he is, near pillow manufacturing plants, Mr. Green can buy brand-new pillows and sell them at a goodly profit. Or he can buy new sterilized feathers, put them in new ticking and sell them as new pillows, thanks to his manufacturer's license. For his customers he can completely renovate their pillows, even match the feathers in them and add enough to build them back to their original size and "feel"—a welcome extra service to the housewife who often attaches a good deal of sentiment to her "handed down" pillows.

Effective Door Opener

The Poppy Cleaners routemen carry a cute little 8-by-10-inch miniature pillow in soliciting this business and are finding it a perfect door opener. It also leads to a lot more household business.

The idea of the mobile unit has been sidetracked for the time being until the state laws are changed a bit to enable another crack at the lucrative hospital business. But the unit is still paying its way as a place to process the growing pillow business from the housewives.

Just be sure, says Mr. Green, to check your state laws before you build up one of these mobile pillow-renovating units. It's a real money maker . . . if the law allows you to use it in your state. # #



FLYER used to advertise pillow service (here shown reduced in size), lettered in red, catches eye, gives detailed description of process. Space at lower right is for firm name





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FROM CASUAL CLOTHES to most formal wear, silk holds prominent position in high styling. This exquisite wedding gown is made of silk taffeta, a "hard" silk. Finishing techniques for different silk fabrics are explained in detail in this article

PART IV

How To Identify, Clean, Spot and Finish Silks

By LAURA PORTERFIELD and CORT ANTONSON

SILKS have been with us a long time, particularly in the ladies' finishing department. Now this fiber is being used extensively in men's wear. Not only is it appearing in pure silk garments, but in blends with wool, cotton and

As we all know, silk comes from the cocoon of the silkworm, which is raised in mulberry trees. The main source is Japan. World War II and boycotts against that country restricted its use in our country until the last year or two. But once again it is

regaining its popularity. And well it might, because for centuries silk has been associated with luxury garments, fit for kings and queens.

Today most silk is cultivated, specially raised. There is also "wild" silk from which shantung and pongee fabrics are made. The yarn used in shantung results from two silk cocoons that have grown closely together. This produces a twisted and rough yarn, which makes a heavy fabric with a rough surface. Shantung has the crispness of taffeta because the natural gum on the fiber isn't removed after

Most shantungs look alike in that they have a plain weave with the rough yarn running in the filling or crosswise direction. It is also possible to introduce designs into the plainweave shantungs, and these are gaining in popularity. Pongee, the other product of wild silk, is always produced in a natural color.

From cultivated silk many weaves and materials are made. Among them are crepe, satin, georgette, mousseline de soie, organza, chiffon and paper taffeta. Silk is an extremely strong fiber; it can be stretched as much as 20 percent and still regain its original

A less important factor today is weighted silk. Metals are impregnated in the fiber to give it body and hand. Competitive prices of man-made materials plus consumer dissatisfaction with weighted silks have practically eliminated them from the market. One of the many drawbacks of this fabric is that it breaks down easily in the presence of moisture, perspiration, light or any acid.

Many synthetics can be reproduced to give the appearance of silk, as can cotton. If the question involves finishing it is well to keep the equipment at temperatures compatible to synthetic finishing. When it comes to cleaning or spotting, that is another matter. Then the only sure test is the reliable burn test.

Burn Test for Silks

Since pure silk is the most generally seen, watch for these reactions:

1. It burns rapidly with a small flame-does not smolder.

2. Ash is shiny black-pulverizes

3. Odor is that of burning feathers. Wild silk has the same reactions as pure silk. The only difference to watch for is that it will not bleach white. Weighted silk, although seldom encountered, may occasionally appear in your plant. It has these characteristics in a burn test:

1. Burns slowly—goes out as soon as flame is removed.

2. Ash glows like a hot wire when held in the flame.

3. Odor is that of burning feathers. Silk velvets are a very popular item today. Once these velvets were made entirely of silk but today the backing used is cotton, much less expensive. To test, separate the pile from the backing weave. The burn test will

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Continued from page 55 reveal the true content of the material. A better quality velvet will have a "W" pile rather than a single "V" pile. The single pile will easily blow out when pressure from the steam gun is applied to it.

Cleaning and Spotting Silks

The soft hand, the elastic feel of silk as well as its fine dyeing ability and draping qualities demand that it be respected as a fine fiber. This, despite the miracles of synthetic materials. Like quality wool, pure silk fabrics are a joy to dryclean.

Silk fiber is elastic and spongy. It releases soil readily. Because of its strength it can stand a full cleaning cycle in the machine. Prespotting agents, such as paint and grease removers, can be used without concern. The only point to watch for when spotting silks is that the dyes bleed on the alkaline side.

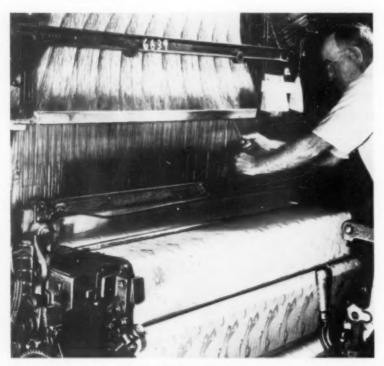
Because of this, care must be used when spotting with alkalies such as ammonia. The difficulty increases if a steam gun is used with such agents. Many silk garments will have a white filler yarn and a colored warp yarn. Bleeding of dyestuff induced by alkalies will cause discoloration. This type of claim occurs all too frequently.

Acid spotting agents, such as general formula, do not give any concern from a bleeding standpoint. But here it must be remembered to rinse the fabric free of the acids. Their presence over a period of time will cause deterioration of the fiber. Acid build-up will greatly affect the tensile strength, as is often found in curtains that are sent in for cleaning. Sheer silks, or those that have obviously aged, should be handled with considerable care.

Silk itself presents few problems. It is what is added to the fiber—for drape or hand—that does make for trouble. Once metallic salt was used for this purpose. Today sizings and resins take its place. Such heavy sizings may dissolve out in cleaning or spotting, producing an undesirable limpness or sizing rings.

Careful feathering is required; spotted areas dried quickly to prevent rings. Dry sizing is just as essential to silks as the cleaning operation itself. It isn't an extra; it's a must in most cases.

Mentioned earlier was the fact that silk may be blended with wool, cotton and other fibers. When mixed with cotton or acetate it beautifies these fabrics. But it can produce headaches for cleaners. As a filler yarn, sheer silk fibers are exposed to acids from perspiration, which deteriorates them. Sometimes the weight of the garment itself on a hanger will cause these fibers to split.



LIKE ALL OTHER materials, silk is produced in myriad of finishes, weaves and blends. Above is one of most intricate looms, producing Jacquard weave. Pure silk is gaining popularity in men's wear as well as women's apparel

Tips on Wetcleaning; Luster Restoration

Pure silks wetclean well, but again caution must be exercised in the use of strong alkalies. Even mild alkalies can cause bleeding of the acid dyes. Instead a neutral detergent, used in conjunction with an acid souring agent, will produce a very satisfactory job without loss of dyestuff. If any alkaline soap is used the fabric must be rinsed well, followed by an acid sour bath.

Moderate bleaches may be used where necessary. Preferable are so-dium perborate or hydrogen peroxide. It is not advisable to use strong bleaches, such as potassium permanganate. Here is a must. Never use chlorine, since it will completely destroy the fabric.

On occasion silk garments will appear to have lost their luster. The appearance can be restored in most cases by subjecting the garment to an oil dip. This is made up of one part white mineral oil and nine parts of solvent. After a few minutes in this bath, extract, tumble dry and finish according to normal procedures. Of course, subsequent drycleanings will remove the oil, so the process must be repeated at that time.

Silk Finishing

Generally speaking, silks can be broken into two major categories for finishing. These are "hard" silks and "soft" silks, as determined by the feel or hand of the fabric, Another common term for hard silks is "shiny" silks. Soft silks include mostly crepes or similar materials that feel soft to the touch.

In the very small plants, soft silks can be finished with a set of puff irons, a utility press and a hand iron. If your plant has sufficient volume to employ a full-time silk finisher, she should have a complete set of equipment for best results and fastest production. This will include a lightweight offset hot-head press, together with a set of four puff irons and a steam hand iron. (A water spray gun will help, too.) This unit is perfect for finishing dresses in any size plant. The buck of the offset press should be used on the soft silk items. It is used as a steam-vacuum finishing board. With it a trowel is used for finishing, with steam applied on the right side of the garment.

Steam-air finishers are helpful, particularly on the soft silk fabrics. Often the garment can be completely finished in this manner, except for touching up on the trim. It is important that the bag be smaller than the gar-

ment, otherwise the dress may stretch when air is applied for drying.

Puff irons can do the bulk of the work on soft silks, too. It is important not to apply too much pressure. In addition, the steam or vacuum should not be used when the flap heads of the puff irons are down on the head. Actually, these soft silks require little or no pressure from the flap heads.

Whenever these garments take on a "shine," it is the result of improper finishing. The fibers have been flattened where double thicknesses occur. They then reflect more light, causing the shine or seam impressions. Shine can be removed by applying steam from the buck and spraying with a water spray gun at the same time. The garment should then be allowed to dry in the open air.

Tips on Hard Silks

The category of hard silks includes the new peau de soie (silk taffeta), failles, organza, shantung, pongee, brocades and weighted silks. These all require finishing with a hot-head press. A note of caution: All dark colors must be finished on the wrong side.

The press padding should be loose and soft. Thus it will serve as a cushion for multiple layers of fabric on pockets, seams, etc. Better results will be obtained on these hard silks if the puff irons are used without covers. Use the bare irons. Steam-air finishing does little for these fabrics. The offset press saves extra steps that result if a plant has a separate press and separate hand ironing board.

The temperature setting for silks is 315 to 345 degrees. Best results are obtained with steam pressure of 65 p.s.i. on the press, 40 p.s.i. on puff irons and 20 p.s.i. on the steam iron. Use the "silk" setting on the iron.

Pure silk velvets are a minor factor today, with the advent of cotton backing for this material. So-called silk velvets are very popular, but they do include other fibers. This fabric will be covered later in the series.

Blouses or jackets made of silk should be finished over the puff irons first. Touch-up of the front or back edges and the bottom can be done with a hand iron. Whether the material is hard or soft silk, the finish should be soft and natural, as it was when the garment was new. Darts, bows and other trim should not have a pancake-flat appearance.

Shantung material has a special peculiarity in that it waterspots very easily. When water-spraying hard wrinkles, have the spray fall as a mist on the fabric. If the garment is sprayed directly it may acquire these hard-to-remove spots. # #

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SECOND-FLOOR VIEW shows garments occupying previously unused space. Twin conveyors store 1,600 hangers and release valuable floor space downstairs for call office and productive area

Special Conveyor Saves Floor Space

Unique two-level arrangement opens plant area, adds 450 square feet

By ART SCHUELKE

SPACE PROBLEMS plague most plantowners, and R. K. Roody of Concord Cleaners, Concord, New Hampshire, is no exception. Every square inch of the main floor of his plant is utilized for production. He has taken advantage of all the latest production techniques to gain maximum efficiency. Slickrails, throughthe-unit production and split-ring assembly are all old hat to Mr. Roody.

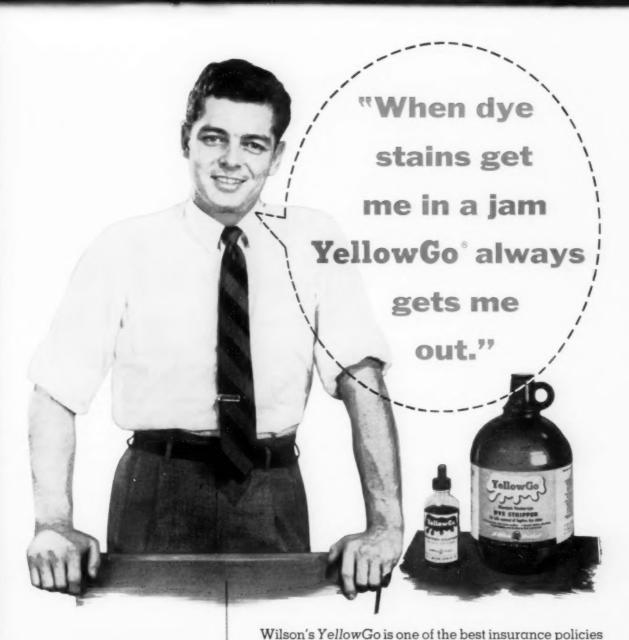
And now a novel conveyor system is proving an invaluable help. Processing has gone smoothly, thanks to the layout ideas used. The bugaboo was what to do with the finished work.

Mr. Roody partially solved the space problem some months ago. He diverted the route salesmen's completed orders to the second-story loft of his building. This was reported in the March Guidebook Issue of The NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER.

This homemade arrangement added space at the Concord plant. But the congestion up front at the call office was bad, and bound to be worse in



MAIN-FLOOR VIEW shows compact arrangement of twin conveyors. Between two units are controls that operate each line separately. Garments are filed numerically, allowing for quick delivery to call-office customers



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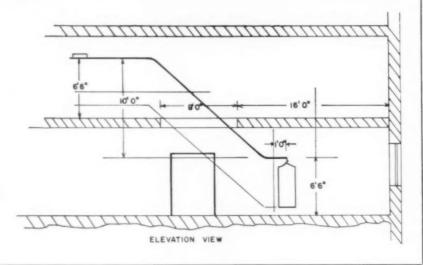
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HERE'S HOW conveyor system appears schematically. Garments travel only a few feet horizontally on the main floor. They then rise on a 45 degree angle, through a ceiling opening up to an unused second-floor loft. Only 60 square feet of space are needed on main floor to provide storage for 1,600 garments on two conveyors



the face of the biggest spring volume ever handled. Something had to be done, and quickly.

Storage lines were stuck in every available nook and cranny. It was difficult to locate orders; customers were delayed. Even more serious, work that was carefully finished was being crushed before it could be returned to the customers.

The front part of the second-story loft was available. Just how to use it presented a problem. A dummy elevator could be installed, but that would create delay and might be slower than the old method.

Mr. Roody had seen the package conveyors available on the market and felt they could answer his problem partially. The only difficulty was that he didn't have enough square feet to use on the main floor. Putting conveyors on the second level still left the problem of carting the work upstairs.

He went to the professional conveyor people and presented his problem. He told them how he solved his driver-storage problem with a homemade conveyor. Could they custombuild one of their units to store the garments on an incline?

If a hole were cut in the ceiling, perhaps the work could be loaded on the main floor. Then almost immediately the track would carry the work uphill to the second floor, and around a circle up there where more room was available. The conveyor firm agreed to give it a try.

What has been developed is more than satisfactory. On the first floor, the garments on the conveyor take up an area only 6 by 10 feet, Concord Cleaners has picked up over 450 extra square feet on the ground level. The work is easily located for faster customer service. On top of that, the garments are no longer crushed.

Actually, the final plans called for two conveyors. Together they provide 100 lineal feet of storage space. There is ample room for 1,600 hangers. When we were at the plant it was running at peak volume, but the two conveyors were handling the volume nicely.

Here is how the conveyors work. Power for each is supplied by a 1/4 hp. motor operating on 110 volt a.c. current. Separate switches stop and start each of the two conveyors. As the garments are loaded, they travel on a horizontal plane for only 2 feet. They turn on a moderate radius while traveling horizontally. After a distance of 2 feet, they begin their journey upstairs, on a 45 degree angle. After rising 10 feet, they level off and go 8 feet horizontally in the loft. An opening approximately 8 by 8 feet in the ceiling provides ample room for the garments between floors.

Quick Identification, Delivery

The hooks on one conveyor are numbered from 1 to 210. On the other the numbering begins at 211 and runs to 420. The finished, bagged work comes to the conveyor station with two copies of the invoice. The conveyor is rotated until an empty station appears. The machine is stopped, and the location number of the empty hook is placed on one copy of the invoice. This is filed alphabetically in a specially designed file rack. The other invoice is left on the garment bag for identifying purposes.

When the customer calls for a garment, the counter girl checks the alphabetical file. She pulls that invoice, checks for conveyor hook number, and operates the conveyor to deliver that bag. We checked several deliveries, unknown to the clerk, while we were at the plant. Total time to search the file, secure the garment and take it to the counter averages 11 seconds. Mr. Roody said the longest it takes is about 30 seconds.

With the help of plant personnel the installation was completed over a weekend. Total cost, exclusive of plant labor, was \$4,000. In addition to the direct results already mentioned, it eliminated the necessity of an extra counter employee during the busy spring season. This is one investment that will pay for itself in a hurry. # #



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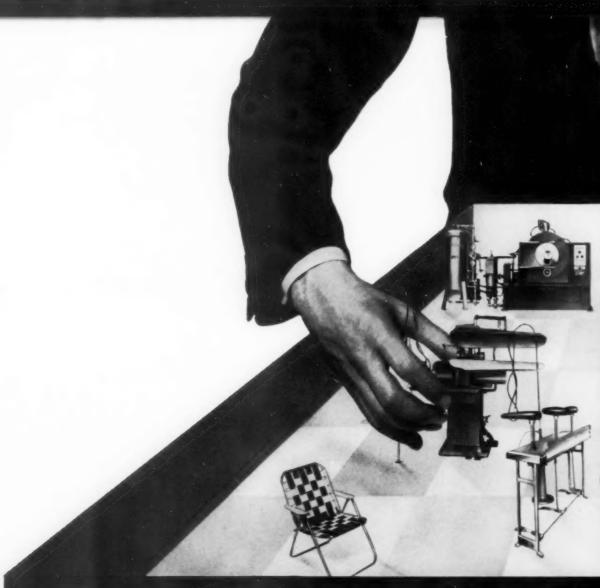
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Use Packaging for More Profit

Ideal medium for advertising copy also provides protection, builds good relations

By GERALD WHITMAN

YOU CAN'T TELL A BOOK by its cover, the saying goes. But, by the same token, we'll wager that millions of books are sold on the strength of attractive cover designs.

Of all the merchandising trends that have developed since World War II, the influence of packaging on sales is perhaps the most important. The consumer has become package-conscious. He demands good packaging not only to protect the contents but to tell the story behind the product and to guaranee performance backed by company name or trademark. It is a highly competitive feature in attracting and holding customers.

Engineering and performance-wise, today's automobiles are better than yesteryear's on almost every count. Yet the greatest emphasis in new-car advertising is placed on styling, color and decoration. No doubt the average buyer is concerned about the quality of the car he wants to buy, but everything else being equal, he will invariably choose the model that *looks* better.

One Answer to Competition

Walk into any supermarket and see the thousands of different products lining the selves. Each group of products—in its class—probably doesn't vary much, one from the other, so far as quality or price is concerned. But each strives to outsell its competitor by means of packaging design.

The influence of good packaging is

as important in selling drycleaning and laundry services as it is in selling tangible products. Even though your customer gets back exactly what she has submitted—albeit laundered or drycleaned—packaging can make the difference.

Consider this not-so-hypothetical situation: There are several drycleaning and laundry firms in your community. All turn out uniformly good quality. All provide adequate service. All charge substantially the same price. One outfit, however, leaves the rest of the field behind when it comes to packaging. This particular firm returns all garments on hangers and in bags. Shirts are packaged individually with shirtboards, collar supports and bands and placed collectively in shirt

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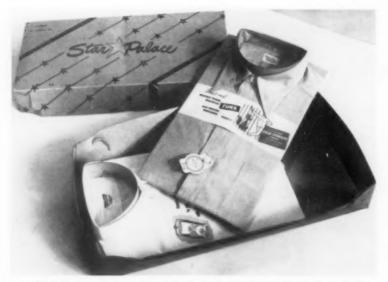
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Which firm in your community would you patronize?

The company that we referred to certainly spends more money on packaging than its competitors, but cost is a relative item. Money can be spent or it can be invested. In terms of packaging, consider not what it will cost to do it but what you will gain as a result of having done it.

Essentially, good packaging can accomplish three things—all related to profits:

 Packaging protects the contents.
 Packaging builds firm prestige and customer goodwill.

Packaging can advertise and promote your services.

Protection: It does almost no good whatever to turn out a good quality job unless it looks that way when it is returned to the customer. The only thing a drycleaner and launderer has to sell is service. If the article he has serviced is not returned with adequate protection he is inviting his competitor to take his business away.

Protection is an obvious necessity. Yet how many drycleaners return garments without bags unless they are specifically asked to bag them? How many launderers return shirts and flatwork that are creased and crushed because of poor packaging? Certainly it costs a little more in materials and

labor to take more pains with packaging, but your customer is not concerned with that particular problem. She wants her belongings back in usable and wearable condition and it is the plant operator's job to see that they are well protected.

One plantowner uses a device that has profound psychological effects. He purchases those little red stickers from his local stationer that are inscribed in white: "Handle With Care." These are placed on all garment bags and boxes. It makes his customers think: "That cleaner appreciates the value of my clothes. He takes care of them and he appreciates my business." And

they keep coming back with more business for him.

More than that, the sticker has another effect. It actually makes the driver handle the garments with greater care.

Often, packaging can make or break a repeat sale. Poor packaging can quickly ruin the finest quality in the world, but a *good* package can make even mediocre work look splendid.

Prestige and goodwill: Aside from its protective characteristics, an attractive package creates a good feeling within the customer. It helps build atmosphere and represents the difference, psychologically, between a class plant and a run-of-the-mill operation.

Most people are not intrigued by ordinary things. They like things that are better than ordinary. With the uniformly good quality of work that most cleaners and launderers are delivering nowadays, an attractive package is the *only* thing that will take a bundle out of the ordinary and make it distinctive.

People love to be pampered—even if it costs them a little more. Often a woman will pay a little more to buy a dress in a shop where she is catered to, fawned over and complimented by courteous and attentive salespeople when she can buy the same frock in a bargain basement where she must scour the racks, is pushed, shoved and neglected.

Packaging accomplishes the same objectives—it protects and it pampers. The more attractive your package, the more highly thought of you will be. Attractive packaging stamps you as an operator who likes his work and who



WEDDING GOWN PACKAGING is a de luxe service at 8ob McKinley's Town & Country Dry Cleaners, Houston, Texas. Heavy while handmade cardboard box has firm name embossed on top; above name is "My Lady's Carriage." A definite prestige builder, box costs plant \$4.85. Basic price for cleaning gown is \$35



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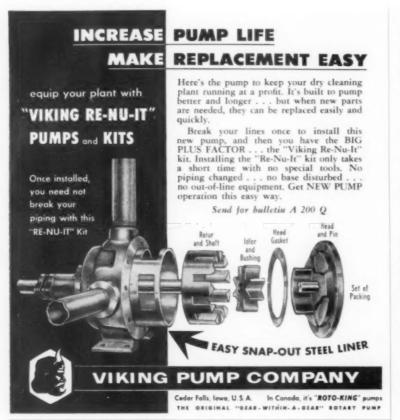
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thinks in terms of the customer. It builds prestige for your firm and creates immeasurable goodwill among your customers.

Cleaners and launderers, if they were to follow the good examples of other industries, should think of packaging as creating a real urge to see what is inside. It should make other people want to receive packages just like them. It should make the customer feel that hers was a good purchase—that she got more than full value for her money. It should also induce her to keep buying from you.

Quality and production, alone, are not enough. It is important to sell. Selling means that you must merchandise and modern merchandising requires you to package your "product" in the modern manner,

Advertise and promote: Last but far from least, your package—garment bag, box, wrapping paper, shirt band, etc.—is an ideal and relatively inexpensive vehicle for advertising your services. It can be utilized in a number of different ways: promoting your full range of services or sideline services; plugging seasonal items; building name identity with the customer and the prospect; heralding special occasions.

So far as copy imprinting is concerned, the essential message is the firm name. Very often a non-customer will notice boxes or garments being carried by a customer or driver and see the firm name and listed services. If the package is attractive the viewer may make a mental note to try that firm.

If a customer is unaware of the full gamut of services that you render, a full or partial list on the package will make her realize that you can be of further value to her. Each of your packaging items can serve as an extra medium to plug a different service. For instance, you might feature fur storage on shirt bands, or drycleaning on laundry boxes, or shirt service on garment bags.

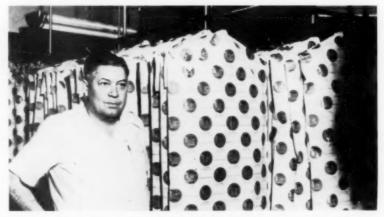
Whatever or however you do it, remember: Do not ruin the effect of an attractive package by cluttering it up with too much copy, tastelessly spread over the entire surface. Keep your copy short, distinctive and blended in with the shape and color of the package.

Some operators use garment bags, for example, to promote anniversaries or open houses. Some use them to solicit seasonal business or plug holiday and back-to-school volume. Many cleaners and launderers keep a variety of garment bags on hand for use at different times of the year.

Often garment bags can be used as a gimmick. One launderer used Davy Crockett-type bags last year which were a hit with the kids. The front of the bag was imprinted with a Davy Crockett costume and by slitting the top along a dotted line, the child could slip the bag over his head and be the envy of his friends.

Packaging can also be used to cheer up customers and inspire them to practice better human relations. One cleaner uses shirt bands imprinted: "Have you kissed your wife this morning?" That provocative question causes many of his customers to do just that, with completely satisfactory results. An occasional personal message like that will help keep customers happy.

Packaging, as we have seen, is a must for more and better business. So long as you have to use it, why not make the most of it? # #



BRIGHT BLUE POLKA DOTS—repeated nearly 150 times—proclaim the name of Model Cleaners on each garment bag used by this Rock Island, Illinois, plant. Attention-getting bags are used mainly for ladies' garments

How to Prevent Solvent Intermix in 2-Bath Systems

Patented Process Developed to Assure True 2-Bath Cleaning

To insure continuing highest quality cleaning at lowest cost with the 2-bath method, it is essential that cleaners stop and analyze their dry cleaning systems to determine whether they are really getting the full benefit and superior cleaning that a 2-Bath system can provide. The true success of 2-Bath operation depends entirely on proper maintenance of both solvents, with no inter-mixing at any time during the cycles.

The rapidity with which 2-Bath cleaning became accepted caught equipment manufacturers unprepared to cope with the special problems involved and most equipment even today is merely an adaptation or conversion of existing single-bath units to two-bath operation. These converted or modified units have one design error in common - the use of a multiplicity of valves directing the flow of the two different solvents from two separate storage tanks, through two filters, to the washer housing, and again returning to the storage area. Figure 1 shows a typical attempt to accomplish this purpose.

Valves Trap Foreign Particles

Now there is nothing wrong with valves, except that every cleaner knows there is a constant transmission of foreign particles, such as pins, tags, lint, buttons, etc. through the solvent circuit. Certainly it is inconceivable to think that not even *one* particle of such foreign matter will *ever* lodge on the seat of *any* valve in the circuit to cause leakage. Leakage does occur—without question.

Refer again to Figure 1 and consider valves B, C, E, F. Slight leakage of these valves, regardless of construction, causes contamination of the rinse solvent and dilution of the charged solvent, with consequent loss in the quality of your cleaning and the expense of charged solvent replacement.

Research Produces New Method

Only one equipment manufacturer has squarely faced the problem of eliminating solvent intermix in 2-bath operation. In 1953, Manitowoc Engineering Corp. instituted a quarter-million dollar research program from which evolved, along with many other advancements, an improvement fully as important as the 2-bath method itself . . . The Diverti-Flo Process.

This patented process utilizes a simple, rigid interlocking bar connecting two butterfly valves and a diverter which directs the solvent back into the proper storage tank. Even if leakage should occur at any point in the system, the solvent has no place to go but back into the tank from which it came. Here is the only fool-proof method of keeping charged and rinse solvents separate during any phase of 2-bath operation.

How Diverti - Flo Solvent Control Works (See Figure 2)

Butterfly valves A and B and Diverter C are interlocked by means of a solid bar. During the wash cycle, valve A is closed, B is open and Diverter C is directed into the S. S. Solvent Storage Tank. When in the rinse cycle, valve B is closed, A is automatically opened and Diverter C then directs flow into the Rinse Solvent Storage Tank. When solvent level builds up in washer housing, it overflows through Dump Tube D (shown in "up" position) and is automatically directed back to the correct solvent storage tank. When dumping solvent, tube D is raised, as shown, and again the solvent is directed by Diverter C into the proper solvent storage tank. If any leakage should occur at valves A or B, the solvent must return to the right tank.

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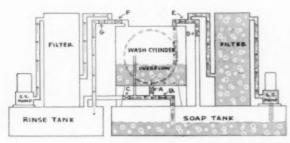


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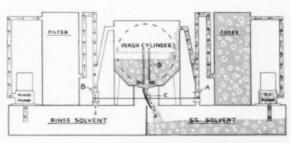


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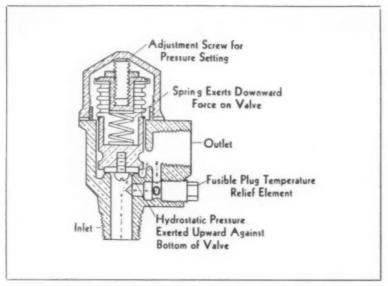


FIG. 1. Combination temperature-pressure-relief valve with fusible plug

Are Temperature-Relief Valves Necessary?

By JOSEPH C. McCABE

TEMPERATURE-RELIEF VALVES are not recognized by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Code, and the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors has expressed the opinion that temperature has never caused the initial rupture of a vessel. Yet temperature-relief valves are a valuable adjunct to hot-water storage and hot-water using equipment in drycleaning plants.

Some time back in a talk before the National Board, John W. James, vice-president of research, McDonnell & Miller, Inc., gave some excellent reasons for the use and need of temperature-relief valves. These reasons were advanced to get the Board thinking on the safety advantages of these devices. But the temperature-relief valve also carries a number of operating assets that merit its application.

In brief, the major statements justifying temperature-relief valves can be expressed as: Water temperature maintained below 212" F prevents cracking of plumbing fixtures if heater water backs up into the cold water line.

 Corrosion is minimized, (The proper control point for limiting corrosion development induced by temperature is 140° F, not 212° F, and is today fairly widely accepted.)

3. Limitation of explosive forces within storage tanks on the grounds that a water held at or below 212° F under atmospheric pressures cannot generate enough heat to expand and flash into steam.

Unfortunately, there are inherent limitations in temperature-relief valves as in other equipment that make it better operation to control flashing of stored water by other means. A combination temperature- and pressure-relief valve would be one such means.

What exactly is a temperaturerelief valve and how does it work?

Fusible Plug

The fusible plug or disk-type arrangement of temperature-sensitive

valve is probably the most frequently used temperature-relief valve and appears most often in combination with a pressure-relief device. These fusible plug or disk designs follow one of two arrangements: one incorporating the fusible element in the body of the valve as shown in Fig. 1, and the other utilizing an extended stem for the intended purpose of locating the fusible element in the hottest water of the tank, as illustrated in Fig. 2.

Generally, these fusible elements employ a low-melting alloy such as bismuth-tin-lead which fuses and melts when in actual contact with water. By varying the proportion of the components the alloy can be made to melt at temperatures ranging from 205° to 217° F. Certain alloys containing combinations of bismuth-cadium-tin are known to accumulate an exceptionally heavy scale, doubt-less due to corrosion or galvanic effect upon the alloy and the brass holder.

Fusible-element-type relief valves function with a reasonable degree of accuracy when new, But an American Gas Association Research Report found that after exposure to a service test for six months the opening points varied from 15° to 73° F higher when the valve was mounted flush with the outside surface of the tank. For valves installed with the fusible element immersed in the water tank, these variations were materially reduced. In either case, remember that even though the accumulation of scale acts as a heat insulator, the fu-

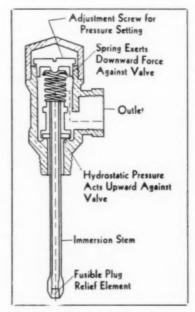


FIG. 2. Combination temperature-pressurerelief valve with fusible plug in end of extended stem

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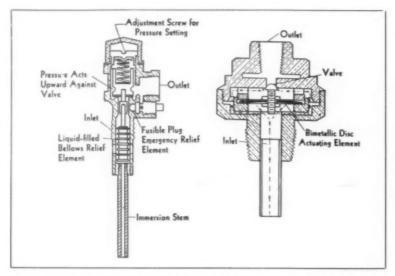


FIG. 3 (left), Automatic-reseating combination temperature-pressure-relief valve with bellows FIG. 4 (right), Automatic-reseating bimetallic disk-operated temperature-relief valve

sible alloy will probably melt at its rated temperature.

More important, however, is the observation that the accumulation of only a small amount of rocklike scale over the ½-inch to ¼-inch-diameter fusible-plug hole is enough to seal the opening against some operating pressures, even though the alloy plug behind it has melted.

Another design deficiency of fusible alloy elements is that the small internal dimensions of the tube do not allow the free release of the melted alloy. In some cases covered by the AGA Report it was found that the alloy melted only to freeze up the tube and not release again until the temperature reached a higher and more dangerous level.

Automatic Reseating

Automatic - reseating temperaturerelief devices are of the expanding bellows design (Fig. 3) or a bimetal disk acting as a thermostatic element (Fig. 4). Scaling problems mentioned in connection with the fusible-plug valve design apply to the reseating type especially in designs where the incrustations fill the bellows and jam up the expanding element.

An observed defect in the operation of certain valves of this type in the field has been the extremely low closing temperatures which permit the loss of an unnecessary large amount of water, Designs incorporating a minimum differential between opening and closing of the valve are considered desirable. If temperatures rise much above 250° F, the liquid fill in certain automatic-reseating

mechanisms breaks down and the device is no longer usable, therefore requiring replacement.

During the past year a design of an automatic-reseating-type temperaturerelief valve has been introduced which overcomes some of the objections just cited. The hermetically sealed thermostatic element comprises a mixture of organic material and metallic dust which expands with temperature to cause a metal piston to rise and perform the necessary valve action. Generous clearances through the valve body to prevent clogging, reliable thermostatic element response, a minimum differential of 5° F between opening and closing of the valve, and assurance that temperatures above 250° F will not damage the valve action are but a few of the important features of this valve as compared with other automatic-reseating-type designs currently on the market.

Emergency Gas Shutoff Valves

The basic principle in the emergency gas shutoff valve shown in Fig. 5 utilizes a chemical fuse which melts and allows a spring-loaded valve to seat, thus cutting off the flow of gas to the burner. The chemical fuse in the end of an immersion stem is an organic solid compound with a low melting point. Much as with organic fusible compounds, prolonged exposure to temperature materially affects calibration or opening point. Other than this calibration factor and the field problem of dismantling the gas piping to replace a chemical fuse, the relief device has the advantage of having the valve-operating mechanism separated from the corrosion and scale-forming action of the water.

Some exploratory work has been undertaken toward development of surface-mounting a high-temperature energy cutoff device on a water heater. In fact, on electric water heaters, a separate surface-mounted energy cutoff thermostat has been added with reported satisfactory results. Although this idea has promise, the basic problem of a calibrated device to take care of the variable scale-forming water found countrywide presents a severe design problem as well as a new safety control concept.

Installation

The performance of the temperature-relief valve depends materially on the installation arrangement. A design with the thermostatic element built into the valve body mounted with a close nipple connection to the top of the tank develops a temperature lag or gradient between the hottest water in the tank and the opening point of the valve of around 20° F. This means to hold the hottest water in the top of the tank to a temperature not in excess of 208° F, the thermostatic element has to open at around 188° F. Using this tank setup and with a 4-inch nipple mounted on top of the tank, it was discovered that the Continued on page 78

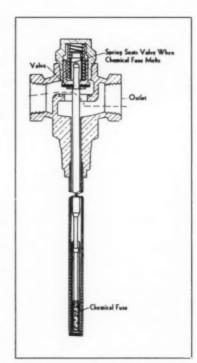
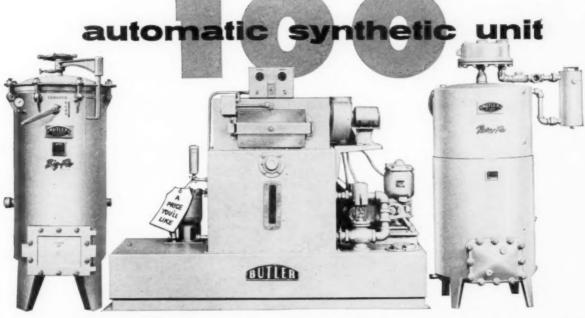


FIG. 5. Emergency gas shutoff valve with chemical fuse

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Just by coincidence, the feature -- labeled "original research" -- happens to be a quite confusing, dressed-up version of material which has been presented for the past 10 years as an annual service in NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER's famous GUIDEBOOK issues. Were the judges aware that the winning material has been public knowledge for some time, because NATIONAL made it so?

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It is quite disturbing to learn from an analysis of local ordinances that installations of temperature - relief valves are permitted in which the thermal element is located as much as 5 inches away from the top of the tank. Since many of the contemporary valves are equipped with temperature elements rated to open at 210° F, the hottest water in the tank is allowed to rise many degrees above 212° F on installations where extended pipe nipples are permitted for the installation of such safety devices.

Pressure vs. Temperature

Is there any simple way to gauge just which control—pressure or temperature-relief—is the better for a given set of circumstances? Here are a number of questions suggested by Mr. James in his earlier cited talk:

1. Pressure-relief valves are not essential because all hot-water-supply installations are open to the source of water supply—and why?

Much controversy has existed concerning the necessity of pressurerelief-valve protection on an openwater system. Actually, there is no difference between an open system and a closed system so far as the hazards are concerned, as it is now recognized it is possible to have conditions with excessive pressure in a tank and not have high temperature, or vice versa.

An open system can easily become a closed system if any one of the following situations develops: (a) the use of a check valve in the supply line; (b) the installation of a watersoftening or conditioning system; (c) the use of a pressure-reducing valve; (d) closing of a supply shutoff valve, and (e) the jamming of a water meter due to back-up caused by the system pressure exceeding the supply line pressure.

Tests conducted on an open system in 1940 by an engineering group of insurance underwriters disclosed that when the boiling temperature of water corresponding to the pressure is reached and the sudden increase in volume caused by the conversion of water into steam takes place, the system pressure rises regardless of the fact that water can back up into the main. Under such conditions the water cannot back out fast enough to hold the pressure within desirable limits. Hence, even though an open system may have no check valve in the supply, it is evident from this test that there is a need for a pressurerelief device.

Having shown the absolute need for pressure-relief-valve protection, it is possible to demonstrate in any selfcontained, direct-fired storage vessel in which the inlet and outlet piping is closed that the pressure rise is much more rapid than the temperature increase.

For instance, taking a 40-gallon tank which has a heat input of 40,000 B.t.u. per hour, it will be observed that the pressure rose from zero to 184 p.s.i. in a matter of 30 minutes; whereas, the temperature increase was only from 78° to 103° F during the same interval, Similarly, another test conducted on a direct-fired, hotwater boiler having a capacity of 63 gallons and a heat input of 250,000 B.t.u. per hour showed a pressure increase from zero to 160 p.s.i. in 23 minutes and a temperature rise from 85° to 150° F. In this latter case the heat input was doubled; namely, 500,000 B.t.u. per hour, and when this occurred the pressure rise was extremely rapid, increasing from zero to 168 p.s.i. in a matter of 10.5 minutes with a temperature rise from 85° to 132° F. All this verifies that pressure-relief-valve protection on a closed system is most important from the viewpoint of safe operating conditions.

One striking bit of evidence in support of the ASME viewpoint that pressure protection is all-important is covered in a report in the January 1952 issue of the publication *Locomotive* which told of the explosion of a 120-gallon cold-water supply tank in New Jersey. No heat of any description was used in conjunction with this installation, thus providing the essen-

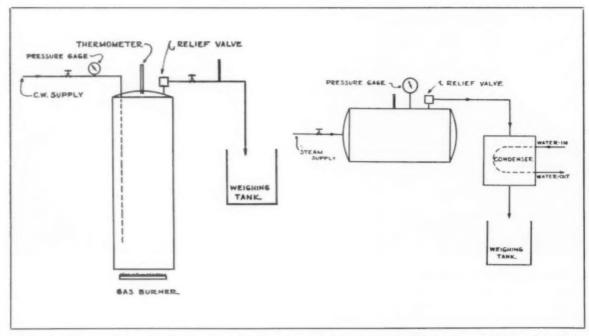
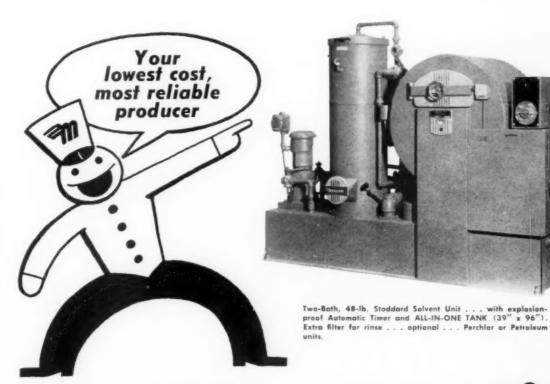


FIG. 6 (left), AGA test setup for rating temperature-pressure-relief valves. FIG 7 (right), National Board test setup at Ohio State University for rating ASME pressure-relief valves



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tial need of pressure-relief-valve protection over temperature.

2. How is it possible to prevent excess pressure in a vessel until the corrosion factor or the stresses set up by expansion and contraction can be controlled?

This question, by way of explanation, is intended to illustrate that the working pressure of a brand-new boiler or storage vessel is higher when new than after being in use for a period of time—justifying the advantage of temperature protection which does not allow the tank water to rise above 212° F, thus avoiding an explosion in case of failure. No one will disagree with the argument that an old tank is weaker than a new tank; however, it should be recognized that tanks are purposely designed with safety factors to withstand corrosion.

It so happens there are many devices built with added safety margins. For instance, the elevators in a hotel could carry far heavier loads than the weight of all the people normally allowed. So it is with modern bridges, steel girders in any hotel, and rails under the trains. In fact, any number of things we depend on day by day are much stronger than they really have to be. They all have that extra margin of protection as provided for in all ASME Codes which, in the case of storage vessels, allows for a factor of safety of 5.

3. If a temperature-relief valve is provided to maintain the tank water below 212° F, will proper safety protection be provided?

A partial answer to this question showed from previous discussion that even though these valves are rated to open at 210° F, very few are installed to hold the tank water below 212° F, so that the basic premise of maintaining water to prevent explosion is defeated. The reasoning back of this viewpoint is that whenever water is under pressure and with temperatures above 212° F released to atmosphere, a conversion to steam takes place with a tremendous increase in volume. It is under such conditions that the deficiency in a water rating established by the American Gas Association for relief devices is recognized.

By way of explanation, an AGA tested and listed relief valve is rated by installing the valve in a 30-gallon direct-fired gas water heater with an available cold-water supply adjusted to 30 p.s.i. (Fig. 6). The opening point of the temperature-relief valve is measured by a thermometer with a

mercury bulb mounted 1 inch below the top head of the tank. Any valve qualifying for an AGA listing must open before the thermometer on the tank reaches 220° F.

After this test has been completed, the capacity rating is established by weighing the amount of water which will pass through the valve in a given interval of time. It is obvious with the cold-water supply pressure connected to the test tank that this rating is established on a water discharge basis. The AGA listed heat-input rating is established by multiplying the discharge weight, in pounds, by a uniform water temperature rise which, for rating purposes, is set at 150° F.

4. What is the difference between the AGA water rating and an ASME steam rating for relief devices?

The procedure for establishing the AGA water rating has already been covered in connection with Question 3. From experience gained in a previous investigation of hot-water pressure-relief valves at Ohio State University, it was determined that whenever water temperatures in a closed vessel exceed 212° F, it was necessary to establish a safety device rating based on pounds of steam discharge.

A simple diagram of the setup at Ohio State University is shown in Fig. 7. There the relief device is mounted on a steam drum and the discharge passes through a condenser with the accumulated condensate measured in weighing tanks at specified intervals. According to the ASME Code, an equivalent capacity rating in terms of B.t.u. per hour is established by multiplying the pounds of steam discharged by 1,000.

As the correlation between water and steam ratings for different valve designs is variable, no average conversion factor is available. However, AGA Research Report states that all hot-water storage tanks should be equipped with AGA water-rated temperature-relief valves having a heat input capacity five to six times the tank heat input, in order to prevent the development of dangerous pressure and temperature conditions. On the basis of this analysis, it means that the water rating is about five to six times the steam rating.

5. If an AGA tested and listed combination pressure- and temperature-relief valve is provided on a storage tank, why is a separate ASME pressure-relief valve being specified by certain U. S. Government agencies?

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feature in the combination valve is only recognized in the Standard to the extent that it satisfactorily relieves the pressure due to thermal expansion of the heated water. For this reason there is no requirement covering a discharge capacity for that part of the valve which functions as a pressurerelief device. Because of this situation, the various U. S. Government agencies do not allow any credit for the pressure-relief-valve feature on the combination unit and insist on a separately installed ASME tested and rated relief valve with a capacity expressed on the basis of a steam rating.

It should be mentioned that these requirements generally apply to storage tanks with a capacity of 120 gallons or less and an hourly heat input greater than 100,000 B.t.u. per hour. For the smaller tanks the Government agencies currently stipulate that an AGA tested and listed combination pressure- and temperature-relief valve rated on a water basis may be used.

Why the attitude of adequate protection for water-supply storage vessels changes with size is difficult to justify as it would appear that the potential explosion hazard is the same whether one is dealing with a 30- or 120-gallon tank of water under pres-

Conclusions

1. Should it be pressure relief? According to the ASME Codes all hotwater supply systems above 120gallon capacity and an hourly heat input greater than 100,00 B.t.u. shall be provided with an ASME pressurerelief valve (rated on steam) having sufficient capacity to match the gross heat output of the equipment, and set to open at a pressure not exceeding the allowable working pressure of the vessel. If such safety protection is considered desirable for the large systems, it logically follows that the smaller systems, such as the 30-gallon, self-contained, direct-fired service water heater should be similarly protected.

2. Should it be temperature relief? To prevent excessive temperatures backing up into the cold-water line and causing plumbing-fixture breakage, and to comply with the several local plumbing codes and Government specification covering hot-water-supply installations, an AGA temperature-relief valve (rated on water) should be provided with sufficient capacity to match the heat input to

the equipment.

3. Even though many contemporary AGA temperature-relief valves are rated to maintain hot-water supply systems at a temperature below 212° F. inherent design and application procedure do not consistently attain the accomplishment of this objective. This fact, plus the recognition that all water-supply installations are potentially closed systems, nullifies the claim that temperature-relief devices rated on water can prevent explosions. Whether a temperature-relief valve alone rated on steam discharge capacity would provide safety is currently a matter of question and debate. From the data presented in this paper, it is evident that a pressure-relief valve is needed in addition to a temperature valve.

4. Should it be both pressure and temperature relief? From the viewpoint of the ultimate in safety on all hot-water supply systems it may be concluded from this discussion that a separate ASME pressure-relief valve is essential, and that a separate AGA temperature-relief valve should be used. Where a combination pressureand-temperature-relief valve is considered, it is important to have not only the AGA water rating on the temperature side, but a steam rating on the pressure side of the relief

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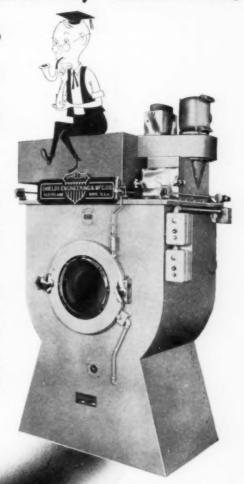
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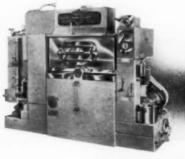
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1946 FIRST STATIC CONTROL

Pages 74 to 76 of the August 1946 issue of National Cleaner & Dyer carried a treatise in which Street's described the first anionic-nonionic drycleaning detergent designed specifically for imparting electrical conductivity to drycleaning solvent. The superior results produced by "Statical for static control" may be summarized by the following excerpt from page 76 of the 1946 National: "In the absence of static the soil is removed readily, and the loosened lint and dirt particles are deposited in the trap or on the filter plates instead of being redeposited on the fabrics from which they were removed."

1951 FIRST S.S. TEST KIT

In the August 1951 issue of *National Cleaner & Dyer* Street's released a 3-page treatise announcing the development of the first method of titration by which the cleaning-room worker could determine with laboratory accuracy the percent active detergent in his charged solvent. Prior to this development the charged system of drycleaning was impractical because of the non-uniformity in percent active detergent.

1952 FIRST EXTRACTOR-RINSE

In the December 1952 issue of National Cleaner & Dyer Street's announced the first Extractor-Rinse process designed for the removal of excess non-volatile matter from fabrics having been cleaned in a charged system. This invention made possible the repeated use of a highly concentrated charge without leaving excessive amounts of detergent or impurities in the cleaned fabrics.

1953 FIRST CONDUCTIVITY CONTROL UNIT

The January 1953 issue of Cleaning Laundry World surprised the industry with a new apparatus which supplied the missing link in the micelle principle of drycleaning. When used with 4% 886 the new Conductivity Control Unit provided the two constants necessary for near-elimination of wet-cleaning without wrinkling: (1) constant moisture level in solvent equal to 3/10% by volume, and (2) constant moisture absorption by fabrics based on 15% dry weight of rayon. Inasmuch as the safe removal of water soluble soil has been the goal of drycleaners for many decades, Street's considers this invention the crowning achievement in 80 years of pioneering in the textile maintenance industries.

ASSOCIATION NOTES

Local Meetings: "Don't make a football out of your customer" was the advice given by Robert H. Graham, director of customer relations for May Company, at a recent meeting of The Cleveland Cleaners Institute. In his speech Mr, Graham included a discussion of claims and adjustment and methods by which drycleaners and department stores may achieve a closer harmony.

Ernest K. Henderson, secretary of the Cleansing Plant Owners of Massachusetts, was guest speaker at a dinner meeting held by the Milford (Massachusetts) Area Dry Cleaners and Launderers Association.

A weekend affair at North Bay, Ontario, was given by the Northern Ontario Conference of the Dry Cleaners Institute (Ontario) Limited some time ago. Saturday night's social agenda included a dinner and dance. Sunday morning members heard a talk by Frank Hurd of R. R. Street & Co. Inc., and heard reports of officers.

Members who attended the June 18 meeting of the Lakeshore Division indicated their willingness to participate in the advertising program proposed by the Institute.

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North Carolina Conference: Plans are now under way for the third annual NID Field Educational Conference to be held at the Hotel Charlotte, Charlotte, N. C., August 18 and 19, under the sponsorship of the North Carolina Association of Launderers and Cleaners. A choice of several management and practical aspects of NID services is being offered, based on members' wishes. Included in the seven basic areas of discussion are: business administration, production management. supervisory techniques, public relations and sales promotion, spotting and wetcleaning techniques, the drycleaning room, and current garment and fabric problems.



Dyers Elect: The Garment Dyers Guild of America recently elected Irvin Duffen (second from left), of Duffen Dye Works, Portsmouth, Virginia, president of the organization. He succeeds Lawrence Jacobson, at his left, of Jacobson Dye Works, Philadelphia. Other officers in photo are Mrs. Lucien Dietrich, Dietrich Dyers, St. Louis, Missouri, secretary-treasurer, and William Stuewe, Seneca Dyers, Inc., Rochester, New York, vice-president.

The Guild held its annual clinic and business meeting in New York City June 8 and 9. Thirty-six dyers toured the Tru-Color Dye Works, Inc., plant in Long Island City, the scene of the clinic.

A luncheon-business meeting fea-

tured talks by Arthur Schuelke, editor of The National Cleaner & Dyer, and David E. Rothschild, head of the David Rothschild Advertising agency. Mr. Schuelke's suggestion of using the word "re-coloring" rather than "dyeing" to more accurately describe the specialized work received favorable comment. Mr. Rothschild, who handles the Guild's advertising, outlined the organization's public relations program.

The main speakers at the evening banquet were James J. Coleman, chief engineer, Laundry & Textile Division of The Patterson-Kelley Company, Inc., and Lawrence S. Thompson, manager dyestuff technical department, General Dyestuff Company. Mr. Coleman pointed out how the reclama-

tion of waste heat can provide free power and Mr. Thompson described synthetic dyeing.

Program chairmen were Lawrence Jacobson, immediate past-president, and Gabrial Illovsky and Rose Slavin of the Tru-Color Dye Works.

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Illinois Clinic: Nearly 300 persons registered at a recent clinic sponsored by the Illinois State Cleaners & Dyers Association, State officers present were Clarence Falsted, president; Paul Betcher, secretary and treasurer; Hugh Smith, Wendell Lomlen and Joe Stork, directors, and Oscar Howard, executive field technical director of the Illinois Plan in connection with the NID.

The Phoenix Cleaners of Rockford played host. Groups of people were sent to six different stations. At the first Curt and Carol Friedland of Foster Stephens, Inc., showed cartoons illustrating how to cure box-storage

Morry Friedlander and Joe Whalen of the Davies-Young Soap Co., on hand at the second station, spoke on the promotion and use of the company's soap process. An informative speech on pumps was given by J. B. Diepenbrock of Washex Machinery Corp. Jim Washburn described how to get production and quality through the use of a fully automatic machine.

The fourth station featured a talk by Roy Hatcher and Bill Anderson of H & A Garment Sizing Company on the use of the company's wheel sizing. George Schlemon, representing Bill Glover, Inc., was at the fifth station demonstrating the company's steamair finisher. A story technique was used by Jack Gleaton of H & A to illustrate ways of achieving better production and wrinkle-free finish in the silk finishing department.

Following a tour of the stations members enjoyed a smorgasbord.

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Local Elections: Members of the Niagara District Division of the Dry Cleaners Institute (Ontario) Limited have elected Bob Sidoff of Sidoff's Cleaners & Tailors as their new chairman; Ed King, Dunville Cleaners, vice-chairman; C. Lightheart, Ridgeway Cleaners, treasurer, and H. A. Dayton, secretary (perennial). Members of the executive committee are

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F. Steiger, York Cleaners, P. Lobosco, P. & G. Cleaners, T. Wilson (former chairman), Coburn Cleaners, and Ed King.

The Kawartha Division of the Ontario association also chose a new slate of officers. Ken Bailey of Victoria Cleaners will act as president with Ernie Ferguson of Ferguson's Cleaners & Launderers in the role of secretary-treasurer. The executive committee consists of past chairman Robert Parker, A. Piel, Weldon Fanning, Jr. and A. E. Stoneburg.

The Toronto Division of the Institute elected officers at its final meeting of the year. Mervyn Keith of Keith's Cleaners & Dyers was chosen chairman and Perc Hunkin of Danforth Cleaners vice-chairman. George Fine of Embassy Cleaners and L. J. Gibson of Gibson's Cleaners were elected to the executive committee. A vote of thanks to the chairman, Jack Pulfer, and his executive committee for the excellent work done during the past year was extended by Jack Snitzer.

N.I.D. NEWS



Girl Takes Honors: At the recent graduation ceremonies held for NID's ninety-fourth general course in drycleaning plant practices, Miss Louvain Chapman, 19, ranked ahead of 12 men in the 13-student class with an over-all average of 93.08 percent. In so doing she became the first girl to achieve top ranking since the Institute began inscribing the top student's name on a trophy donated by the sixtieth general course in December 1946.

Miss Chapman is also the fourth winner of the John P. Gray Memorial Scholarship. Sponsored by the NID Alumni Society, the scholarship is valued at \$275 and entitles her to attend NID's 4-week management course. Miss Chapman hopes to attend the spring session. For the past four years she has been with Smart Cleaners, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

Edgar Y. Walter, Jr., manager of Twin City Laundry, Inc., North Quincy, Mass., and Karel J. Bannenberg of Maracaibo, Venezuela, were runners-up.

Shown above in the NID lecture room are the 13 graduates. Front row, left to right, are Robert D. Boone, Boone Cleaners & Laundry, Elizabethtown, Ky.: Edgar Y. Walter, Jr., Twin City Cleaners, North Quincy, Mass.; Robert E. Tobin, Parker's Chelsea Cleaners, Chelsea, Mich.; and Donald A. Berry, Scott's Super Cleansers, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Second row: Marshall S. Moneymaker, Bowman's Cleaners, KensingE INSTITUTE OF DRYCLEA

ton, Md.; R. Marwan, Batik Institute, Jogjakarta, Indonesia; Louvain D. Chapman, Smart Cleaners, Ltd., North Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; Owen C. Good, Safeway Cleaners, Tulsa, Okla.; and Robert D. Becraft, Becraft's Fairway Cleaners, Fairway, Kans.

Third row: Shigenobu Hoshida, Mountain View, Calif.; Neil G. Daboul, Springfield, Mass.; Eugene D. Kennedy, Kennedy Launderers & Cleaners, Springfield, Ill., and Karel J. Bannenberg, Lavanderias Amuay S. A., Maracaibo, Venezuela.

Pictured in the photo above congratulating each other upon their election are the officers of the ninety-fourth general class on winding up their studies at the National Institute of Drycleaning. Left to right, they are Donald Berry, Scotts Super Cleansers, St. Johnsbury, Vt., vice-president; Bob Tobin, Parkers-Chelsea Cleaners, Chelsea, Mich., president, and E. Y. Walter of Twin City Cleaners, North Quincy, Mass., secretary-treasurer.

Hubbard Laboratory Dedication:
Dedication ceremonies of the C, C.
Hubbard Memorial Science Laboratory will take place August 11 in the
NID school building, Silver Spring,
Md. The ceremony will be held as
part of Back Home Day, the annual
reunion of the school's alumni. Main
speaker at the affair will be Alfred D.
Sieminski, Democratic representative
from New Jersey, who was graduated
from the thirtieth general course.

The laboratory is made possible through a bequest of the late C. C. Hubbard, NID's first director of education, who guided many classes



ALFRED D. SIEMINSKI

through its general course in drycleaning plant practices in the late 1920's. Affectionately known as Hub, C. C. Hubbard was one of the first men in the drycleaning industry to make a thorough study of fabrics and the means and methods for securing the best results in cleaning them. Extremely active in all phases of the industry, Mr. Hubbard was also the author of the first textbook used by the National Association.

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Idaho Meets in Sun Valley

NINETY DELEGATES attended the annual Idaho Launderers' and Cleaners Association convention, held this year at Sun Valley, May 4 and 5. Cool weather and occasional showers failed to dampen the spirits of the fun-loving Idaho gathering, even though it would have taken an Act of Congress to get them out of bed in

the mornings.

The most drastic step taken was the "Welcome Wagon" (or "Un-welcome Wagon") on the last day of the meeting. A group of self-styled vigilantes with a cart loaded with first-aid items, including tomato juice, hot coffee and other refreshments, began a doorpounding tour of the rooms at the ungodly hour of 7:00 a.m. to insure an audience for the Saturday morning speakers. That in itself wasn't too bad, but one of the waker-uppers had a small flash camera!

Speakers for the meetings were Al Graham, R. R. Street & Company Inc.; Howard Smith, Emery Industries; Dr. Dorothy Lyle, National Institute of Drycleaning, and Lou Bellew, West Coast editor of STARCH-ROOM LAUNDRY JOURNAL and NA-

TIONAL CLEANER & DYER.

Al Graham's topic was "Wanted-New Customers - No Experience Necessary." He showed the advisability of doing out-of-the-ordinary things, which he referred to as "gimmicks," to attract attention to the plant. Once the gimmicks get potential customers' attention enough to attract them into the plant, then is the time to impress upon them the superiority of your service . . . and



OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS, left to right: Ed Bierie; Elwood Hopkins; Ken Babcock, retiring president; Gordon Carlson; Orville Kitts (culprit with flash camera on wake-up committee); John Baird (hidden), secretary, and Lewis Wheeler



MEETINGS were held in lounge, held interest of delegates

to hold them as regular customers. Speaking on "The Path of Total Management," Howard Smith showed no plant can be as profitable as possible unless management takes the trouble to study every phase of its opera-

tion and keep accurate records regarding costs of operation.

Lou Bellew spoke on "Gadgets" used in various laundry and cleaning plants as aids to production and sales.

Ray Showell, NID director from Salt Lake City, Utah, spoke briefly on Institute matters, and Dr. Dorothy Lyle gave an interesting discussion on "Fashions and Fabrics," a talk that was highlighted by a large display of samples of new fabrics and various controversial ones.

Saturday night wound up the affair in the usual grand manner, with the President's banquet and dinner dance.

The new slate of Idaho Launderers and Cleaners Association officers includes: president, Gordon Carlson, Buhl Laundry, Buhl; first vice-president, Elwood Hopkins, Finer Cleaners, Pocatello; second vice-president, Ed Bierie, National Laundry, Salmon. Directors are: Lewis Wheeler, La Mode Cleaners, Mountain Home; Orville Kitts, Weiser Laundry, Weiser; Paul Ammon, Batchelor Laundry, Coeur d' Alene; Ed Pederson, Paramount Cleaners, Idaho Falls; Roy (Bus) Isham, Troy Parisian Laundry, Pocatello, and Ken Babcock, Segal Cleaners, Burley.-Lou Bellew

West Virginians Learn and Play

BUSINESS COMBINED with pleasure provided a stimulatin; convention for the West Virginia Launderers and Dry Cleaners. Held in Charleston May 11-12, the meeting drew over 100 plantowners and allied tradesmen.

The attendants were treated to some of the top industry speakers, who discussed management problems, plus a generous program of relaxing diversions. The first afternoon was devoted to a golf outing, followed by a buffet supper and bingo games.

The ladies weren't overlooked, either. An elaborate style show for the girls was conducted by the leading department store in Charleston. Three gift certificates, worth \$100 each, were won by three lucky ladies at the show.

Al Jordan of Emery Industries headed the work sessions, and talked on "Potentials for Profits." He emphasized the importance of an adequate advertising budget, cited actual case histories showing the results of merchandising. Plant increases closely paralleled ad expenditures. Those plants that spent little either showed no gain, or worse, were on the decline.

George Y. Klinefelter, a district director of the American Institute of Laundering and president of Elite

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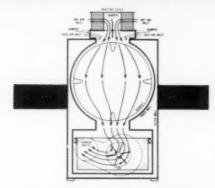




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DELEGATES ARE REGALED by Paul Jacobsen of Wallerstein Company. Two other featured speakers enjoy his comments. In center, Al Jordan of Emery Industries and George Klinefelter, AlL district director and president of Elite Laundry Company, Baltimore

Laundry Company, Baltimore, followed. He stressed the need for greater training and motivation of route salesmen. His firm recently supplied its men with canned sales talks which were carefully rehearsed and then put into practice with personal supervision on the routes. The results were more than gratifying, according to Mr. Klinefelter. Paul Jacobsen of the Wallerstein Company next covered newest methods of using spot digesters in the wheel, with charged systems. His talk was accompanied by slides to give the audience a complete step-by-step picture of this new technique.

After a luncheon break, Fred Sauerbrey of the Prosperity Company brought the audience up to date on laundry trends. He discussed the laundry of today and tomorrow, highlighting cash-and-carry drive-in developments. Shirt laundries came in for their share of comment, also.

Other speakers included Jack Ireland of the National Institute of Drycleaning. Jack told the members of the latest developments involving the charged system method of cleaning. He discussed the chaos of labels that has come about since the widespread acceptance of this type of cleaning, citing some of the misconceptions on the part of some garment manufacturers.

At a business meeting preceding the last evening's banquet and floor show, new committees were appointed and a new slate of officers was elected. Edward B. Judy of Richwood was made president, while H. Clifford Morris of Charleston became vice-president. C. W. "Bill" Barker of Charleston is the new secretary-treasurer.—Art Schuelke

New Jersey Seminar Scores

AN IMPOSING ARRAY of speakers at the thirty-seventh annual convention of the New Jersey Laundry and Cleaning Institute concentrated their remarks on how plantowners can best increase sales.

The eight persons who answered such questions as, "What is the solution of today's quality and cost problems?" "Would new methods of pricing encourage an increase in sales?" and "How can the industry do a more effective public relations job?" included:

A. L. Christensen, manager of the department of production and engineering at the American Institute of Laundering; John Carruthers of John Carruthers & Company, Boston; Benjamin B. Foster, Fosters' Laundry, Gloucester, N. J.; Joseph Plonski, Columbian Laundry, Newark, N. J.; Richard T. McBrien, St. Mary's Laundry, Inc., Ardmore, Pa.; Walter L. Spallholz, Universal Laundry, Inc.,



CONGRATULATING each other are Richard L. Corby, Jr. (left) and Harold C. Buckelew, returned to posts of president and executive secretary respectively

Portland, Me.; George Y. Klinefelter, Elite Laundry Company, Baltimore, Md., and the New York Betty Best, emissary of the Professional Laundry Foundation.

The speakers later formed a panel and more questions were fired at them by the 210 persons in attendance. Serving as moderator during this session was John D. Campbell, Modern Laundry & Dry Cleaning Company, Philadelphia.

Richard L. Corby, Jr., Corby's Enterprise Laundry, Summit, and John Plonski, Columbian Laundry, Newark, will serve as president and vice-president respectively.

Richard V. Whalen, former executive-secretary to the New York State Launderers and Cleaners Association, was introduced in his new capacity as associate secretary under Harold Buckelew, executive secretary.

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CHOSEN NEW PRESIDENT of North Carolina Association is Charles Roach of Durham



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Tarheels Meet at Raleigh

REGISTRATION TOPPED the 200 mark at the forty-ninth annual convention of the North Carolina Association of Launderers and Cleaners which took place at the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh, May 11 and 12.

Charles Roach, Model Laundry, Durham, succeeds P. K. Ewell as president. Newly elected vice-presidents are James K. Beck, Durham; Roy Tripp, Greenville, and John N. Davis, Asheville.

Guest speakers for the occasion included Denys Slater, president of the American Institute of Laundering, who discussed various phases of employee and public relations. Frank A. Prather, president of the National In-

stitute of Drycleaning, emphasized the importance of budgetary planning as a guide to successful plant operation.

Victor D. Oakley, Sta-Nu Corporation, opened the speakers' program with an address on "Management's Responsibility and Sales."

A. L. Christensen, AIL production and engineering department manager, took a look at the industry's bright future and suggested a dozen ways to increase quality and production in the plant.

Professor Henry A. Rutherford, head of the textile chemistry department at North Carolina State College, classified a number of fabrics and finishes into chemical and physical categories and cited the need for a labeling program to identify undistinguishable modern day fabrics.

Two Association members also addressed the assembly. By popular request Mrs. Louise Bennett, Rocky Mount, repeated the speech she made at the Young Men's Conference last January at San Francisco, entitled "What You Cannot Insure." And plantowner M. F. D. Newtown gave his observations on the shopping-center operation based on his own experiences in a center at Raleigh.

Many worth-while ideas came out at the two-day session and the convention was considered a social success.—Henry Mozdzer

Round Table at New Hampshire

ALTHOUGH it met for only one day, the New Hampshire Laundryowners and Drycleaners Association managed to cram as much meat into its session as other groups do in several days. The annual convention was held on May 26 at Hotel Wentworth-by-the-Sea near Portsmouth.

Actually the sessions didn't start until afternoon. The morning was de-

voted to golf, loafing, registration and general visiting. What made the meeting so profitable was the round-table discussions, with all attendants participating. This idea is receiving ever-



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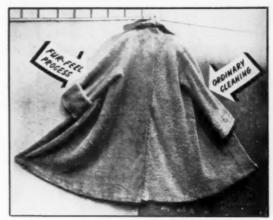
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LAST YEAR'S OFFICERS were unanimously reelected to serve another year. Left to right are Robert Little, Royal Dion and Hollis McBurney

growing acceptance at conventions. It was a natural in New England, similar to their town hall discussions,

The audience selected five questions for discussion. They were:

1. What do laundry and drycleaning prices mean to the housewife?

2. How to reduce productive labor costs?

3. How to induce young people into our industry?

4. How important are advertising and promotion?

5. What should price structure depend upon?

The meeting room was broken into several tables of registrants. Each question was given to two tables for 15 minutes of discussion, followed by a summarized report by the tables' chairmen. With nearly 100 persons taking part, much practical information was accumulated.

It was generally agreed that the average housewife isn't too concerned with prices, so long as she gets quality work with the kind of service she needs. Labor costs can be reduced with latest equipment, layout and training, it was felt.

Everyone felt that a real problem confronts the industry in luring young people to the laundry and drycleaning professions. Because of the competitive labor situation every effort must be exerted to improve working conditions and offer extra benefits in the form of job insurance, retirement and similar desirable plans.

All agreed that advertising was essential to plant growth. Prices should be commensurate with all costs, and a fair profit tacked on, but plants should make certain they are really efficient. Customers should not be penalized for plant inefficiency.

It was interesting to note that major questions included so many points on merchandising and real management problems, rather than minor production points. The questions fit in with the subject covered by the speaker who followed the round-table discussion.

Art Schuelke, editor of The National Cleaner & Dyer, discussed the future of laundry and drycleaning plants. He advised plantowners to take full advantage of the potential offered by route selling and charge business. Sales training came in for its share of discussion as did the importance of sound merchandising.

At a business meeting new district representatives were appointed. These men in turn elected officers for the ensuing year. It was unanimously voted to reclect last year's slate. Royal Dion of Nashua remains president, while Hollis McBurney of North Conway retains the vice-presidency. Robert Little of Claremont continues as secretary-treasurer.

A cocktail party and banquet preceeded an address by United States Senator Styles Bridges, the main convention speaker. He discussed legislation developments in Washington and their effect on our industries. A program of entertainment wound up an extremely full day. # #

Georgians Meet at Atlanta

MORE THAN 700 members of the Georgia Launderers and Cleaners Association, meeting in annual convention in June at the Biltmore Hotel in Atlanta, heard major problems of the industry aired and solutions cited by leading authorities in the field.

Members learned how the "payroll tax can be a windfall" and how individual taxes could be reduced to a minimum in an eye-opening session conducted by W. H. Wehner and L. C. Butcher, of the Georgia Department of Labor, and Don Channel, attorney for the Georgia State Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Dorothy S. Lyle, director of consumer relations, National Institute of Drycleaning, discussed fabrics of limited serviceability and materials likely to cause trouble in cleaning and handling.

W. R. Kohl, president of the Lincoln Bag Company, told the group that "next to good cleaning, packaging is the most important element in building new business." He listed



GEORGIA LEADERS elected at convention, left to right: Joe May, Mrs. Eileen McDargh and Henry Herbert Chandler

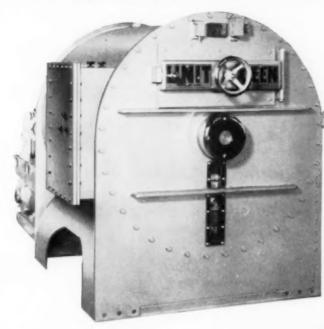
these important rules for cleaners to follow: operate an efficient plant, employ reliable help, maintain courteous, prompt service and good work at a fair price, identify your product by your wrapper, use modern merchandising methods to hold old customers and build new ones,

Other outstanding speakers included Jerry Daleke, merchandising and sales training consultant; A. L. Christensen, production and engineering manager, American Institute of Laundering; J. R. Wilson, R. R. Wilson and Co., Atlanta. A lively questionand-answer period followed each talk.

An interesting feature of the convention was a tour of local plants.

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305 East 45th Street New York 17, N. Y. OREGON 9-4000 lanta, president for a second term. Henry Herbert Chandler, Burnette Cleaners and Dyers, Atlanta, was named vice-president and Mrs. Eileen McDargh of Atlanta was reelected executive secretary.

Directors were named as follows: Arthur Solomon, Jr., and Edgar Eyler, Savannah; Jesse Young, Vidalia; Marvin Wages, Albany; Sydney Garrison, Moultrie; Joe Edwards, Jr., Thomasville; C. L. Booth and Tom Wade, Columbus; Walter Reid, Eastman; Jesse Rogers, Thomaston; Preston Bunn, Griffin.

Also, Akin Chafin, McDonough;

L. L. Goode, La Grange; James Gardner, Jr., Conyers; Isaac Flatau, Macon; Ellis Whitehead, Dalton; Wallace Grant, Rome; Ernest Barrett, Marietta; Tom Smith, Bremen; D. R. Tanner, Douglas; Herbert Bell, Gainesville; Dave Hendricks, Commerce; R. R. Caldwell, Greensboro; O. J. Johnson, Hartwell; H. C. Whitworth, Athens.

C. E. Morgan, Jr., president of the Laundry and Dry Cleaning Club of Greater Atlanta, Sam A. Wix and C. E. Morgan, Sr., charter members of the association, were named to an advisory committee. # #

Public Relations Is Florida Theme

"BUSINESS GOES where it is invited and returns where it is well treated," said Dr. Frank Goodwin in his address on public relations to the 300 members of the Florida Institute of Laundering and Cleaning, who held their annual convention at the Fort Harrison Hotel in Clearwater in June.

Dr, Goodwin, professor of sales and sales management at the University of Florida, stressed the point that no set formula can be given for public relations; it is all of the efforts the business can exert to enjoy the favorable public opinion it deserves.

William L. Browne, director of public relations of the National Institute of Drycleaning, in his speech said the businessman must "look at business through the eyes of his customer and their interests must be the same."

John Monohan of Fort Lauderdale

spoke briefly on the group insurance program which has been formed by the American Institute of Laundering.

Russell J. Rose of the AIL, in his talk on "Let's Give Incentives a Closer Look," said, "Look at your methods and make sure they are simple. Train people properly and then you can utilize their abilities."

Herman O'Steen of Jacksonville was elected president at the final session while Corliss Fox of Fort Lauderdale was named vice-president. W. E. Crowson of Bradenton was the outgoing president.

A Saturday night dinner and dance highlighted the social part of the conference. Many of the wives of the members took short motor tours around the Clearwater area while their husbands were in attendance at business sessions. # #



SOME OF OFFICIALS at Florida convention, left to right: John Monohan, AlL director; Edwin W. Pearce, Greensboro, N. C., past president AlL; David G. Perkins, Jr., Clearwater, convention chairman, and William Crowson, outgoing Florida president



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Eaton Appoints Hubbard



W. N. HUBBARD

Announcement has been made by R. F. McDonald, executive vice-president and general manager, Eaton Chemical and Dyestuff Company, Detroit, Mich., of the appointment of William N. Hubbard who has had considerable ex-

perience in direct selling, will was the introduction of new call on the drycleaning and laundry trade in the states of Washington and Oregon.

Detrex Completes Merger

Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc., Detroit, Mich., formerly Detrex Corporation, has completed the transfer of all outstanding capital stock from the previously jointly held Hooker-Detrex Incorporated, and has also completed the merger of the Detrex Corporation. Hooker-Detrex Incorporated, and the Detrex Realty Company into Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc.

As a result of these negotiations, Detrex will own and operate the entire facilities at Ashtabula, Ohio, which are devoted to the manufacture of trichlorethylene and anhydrous hydrogen chloride. Detrex has also secured for sale the trito the sales staff. Mr. Hubbard chlorethylene production of the Tacoma, Wash., plant.

visual sales aids designed specifically for today's cleaners.

A feature of the Southwest meeting was a talk on teamwork in selling by Jim Henderson. Noel Cooperider, sales training manager, handled the presentations for both groups.

Hammond Holds Clinic

A highly successful drycleaning and laundry clinic was held recently at the Hammond factory outlet, Lubbock, Tex. The three-day clinic, conducted by Hammond Laundry - Cleaning Machinery Company, Waco, Tex., attracted more than 800 laundry and drycleaning plant operators from Texas and New Mexico. Hammond displayed and demonstrated its complete line of equipment. Manufacturers' machinery distributed by Hammond was also displayed and engineers from those companies were present to assist in the clinic. To point up the advantages and features of the machines, all equipment was installed and in operation during the sessions.

According to Roger N. Conger, president of Hammond, the clinic may be made an annual affair.

Street's Honors Field Reps

Personnel of R. R. Street & Co. Inc., Chicago, Ill., have received new service pins, in recognition of their work with the firm. Joe Keegel, who joined Street's technical field force in 1941, serves customers in the New York-New Jersey area. Mr. Keegel was awarded a 15-year service pin. Harvey Prichard, who covers the Kentucky, southern Indiana and southern Illinois territory, received a 10-year pin.

Jack Stephens received a 10year pin, commemorating his service in the Middle West-Rocky Mountain area, A 10year pin was also awarded to Sam Walker for his service in the New England states. Prior to joining Street's field organization, Mr. Walker served as package analysis consultant for the NID and is currently recognized as one of the outstanding drycleaning technicians in the Northeast.

Five-year service pins were awarded to both Phil Dantzker

and Art Orcutt, Mr. Dantzker headquarters in Springfield Mass., and serves plants in the surrounding area, Mr. Orcutt acts as a research engineer for the company.

Washex Assigns Sauer



HAROLD J. SAUER

Harold J. Sauer has been named to represent Washex Machinery Corporation, Brooklyn, N. Y., in eastern Pennsylvania and southern New Jersey, according to J. B. Diepenbrock, general manager of Washex. Mr. Sauer is well known among the drycleaners throughout the Central Eastern states from his many years in the territory with two allied trades firms.

New Hoffman Distributor

U. S. Hoffman Machinery Corporation has announced the appointment of the Hoffman Sales and Service Corporation of Detroit, Mich., as its distributor in the state of Michigan.

William H. Balkwill is president of the new organization. In the drycleaning and laundry business for more than 30 years in Detroit, he has been president of the Detroit Institute of Laundering for 13 years and a director of the Michigan Institute of Laundering for the past 10 years.

Vice-president is Thomas Tomlinson who has been actively engaged in the drycleaning and laundry machinery business for 28 years. Gladys L. Strub is secretary and Marjorie Stukins is treasurer.

Offices and showroom of Hoffman Sales and Service Corporation are located at 4781 W. Fort in Detroit. It carries a com-

Butler Conducts Two Sales Meetings



SHOWN WITH sales visuals, Butler's Southwest district representatives are, left to right, back row: George Jones; Bart Quirk, Southwest district sales manager; Chuck Cowell; John J. Tipps; J. S. Henderson. Front row: Harmon Partin; N. A. Bomar; T. Perkins



SOUTHEAST DISTRICT representatives, left to right: Boyd Lewis; Noel Cooperider, sales training manager; John Lovell; Prentice Veal; Wade Johnson; Bill Wilkinson; Burrill Gottry, Cleaners Equipment Division manager; Phil DeWitt; Gary Sheppard, Southeast district sales manager

recently by Butler Manufac- district met in Lubbock, Tex., turing Company, Kansas City, Mo., for the cleaning equipment salesmen of the Southeast and Southwest districts. Each was

Two sales meetings were held two days long. The Southwest while the company's Atlanta offices played host to the Southeast district.

A highlight of the meetings

tains a skilled staff of factory- practices. trained servicemen.

Low-Hp. Power-Pak



Orr & Sembower, Inc., Reading, Pa., has entered the lowhorsepower field with a compact, rugged, packaged automatic low-pressure boiler for oil and gas firing that embodies top engineering features of its Powermaster units for heavier industrial use.

The new Power-Pak is designed to provide steam or hotwater heating or hot-water service with power demands of 10, 15, 20 and 25 hp. It is said to be the only unit of its type and capacity that meets standards of 5 square feet of heating surface (ASME) per boiler horsepower throughout its full range.

The 10 hp. oil-fired Power-Pak is 61 inches long, 34 inches wide and 66 inches high, and weighs 1,750 pounds. The 25 hp. boiler is 86 by 36 by 74 inches and weighs 2,800 pounds. The gas-fired 10 hp. unit measures 67 by 34 by 66 inches and weighs 1,750 pounds. The 25 hp. unit is 92 by 36 by 74 inches and weighs 2,800 pounds.

Allied Promotes Two

James F. Adams, Jr., has become general manager of technical service and Norman C. Weil technical adviser of the technical service department, Solvay Process Division, Allied Chemical & Dye Corporation, New York, N. Y., it was reported by J. H. Elleman, director of coordination. Both men will continue to make their headquarters at the Research and Technical Service Laboratory, Syracuse, N. Y.

A graduate of Syracuse University, Mr. Adams joined Solvay in 1939 as a chemical e gineer in the company's resea ch department, Mr. Weil, a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, was employed by Sol-

plete line of Hoffman equip- vay in 1924 as a research others. Rubber bumpers stop its entire sales operation to ment, a full stock of equipment chemist. He is an expert on parts and materials and main- chlorine utilization and safety

West End-Stauffer Merger

The board of directors of West End Chemical Company and Stauffer Chemical Company have met and approved a plan of merger of West End into Stauffer. It is expected that the formal merger agreement will be adopted by both boards in the near future and will be submitted to the stockholders of both companies for approval.

West End produces borax, soda ash, salt cake and lime at its plant at Searles Lake, California. Stauffer's main offices are in New York. West End will continue to operate as an autonomous division of Stauffer under the designation of West End Chemical Company Division of Stauffer Chemical Company.

Diamond Alkali **Appointments**

Two promotions in the Electro Chemicals Division of Diamond Alkali Company, Cleveland, Ohio, have been announced by Frank Chrencik, general manager of the division. Lloyd R. McCoy, since 1946 assistant to the manager of chlorine sales, takes over the newly created post of supervisor of the division's Technical Service Section. He will make his headquarters at the Diamond Research Center in Painesville.

Warren Dusenbury, who had worked at Diamond's national headquarters in various clerical capacities from 1952 to 1954, becomes divisional staff assistant on caustie soda sales.

Vara Offers Belt Ring



A convenient device for storing belts has been introduced by A. G. Vara & Son Inc. Individual belts can be placed on or removed from the Magic Belt Ring without removing

the ring automatically in either loading or unloading position.

According to Vara, belts cannot fall off the loaded ring. A quarter-turn of the ring is all that is required to remove a belt. In addition to providing convenient belt storage, Vara states, the Magic Belt Ring also eliminates loss of belts.

For further details write A. G. Vara & Son Inc., 53 Clark St., Hamburg, N. Y.

SLRA Announcements

The Suede and Leather Refinishers of America has scheduled its annual meeting for Chicago, Saturday and Sunday, August 11 and 12. Saturday will be spent in a technical clinic at the plant of Kirk's Chicago operations (formerly Globe Wardrobe Service). The business meeting that evening will be held at the Furniture Club of America in the Furniture Mart. Sunday, member plants will again watch cleaning, dyeing and finishing processes at the Kirk plant. Guiding the proceedings will be Allan J. Copeland, executive director of SLRA, whose headquarters are at 100 E. Ohio St., Chicago, Ill.

A record 200,000 leather garments now arriving at retail stores will carry the service instructions string tag produced by the Suede and Leather Refinishers of America, according to word from SLRA headquarters. The tag, containing general information on the care of leather, suggests that when cleaning is necessary an SLRA member plant should be consulted. It is being distributed by 21 leading manufacturers of leather wearing apparel.

The tags are supplied free to manufacturers and retail stores, both of whom find that the information provided is helpful in adding confidence in the purchase of leather and a useful selling tool.

Davies-Young Awards Rep

John Romaniuk, a Canadian representative for the Davies-Young Soap Co., Dayton, Ohio, has been awarded a one-year service pin, according to J. R. Young, sales manager of the firm's Buckeye Cleaning Division. Mr. Romaniuk represents the company in Quebec, eastern Ontario and the Maritime Prov-

Fletcher Reorganizes Staff

The Fletcher Works, Philadelphia 40, Pa., has realigned tacker sales for 1955. The larg-

provide broader servicing of customers throughout the country, Canada and international, Edward T. Taws, president, has announced. Members of the Fletcher sales engineering force are currently undergoing an intensive training program.

Formerly each sales engineer was a specialist in one of the Fletcher lines, and only that line for which he covered the entire nation. Under the new policy each sales engineer will sell every product in the Fletcher line and will cover specific areas.

Sales engineers and field representatives will work under the direction of Charles Moore, sales manager. The nation has been divided into the South. Pennsylvania and Midwest and New Jersey, New England-Canada areas.

Glover Appoints Hudson



J. E. HUDSON

Bill Glover of Bill Glover, Inc., Kansas City, Mo., has announced the appointment of J. E. "Jim" Hudson as sales representative to conduct sales and educational meetings with distributors and customer groups. He will cover the Eastern half of the United States and Canada, featuring showings of a new movie made for Glover on progressive industry methods and equipment, with discussions from his own practical experience.

Mr. Hudson has had more than 20 years of managerial and operating experience in some of the larger drycleaning plants in the South. For the past 14 years he has been active in the sales field, supervising plant installations and operations.

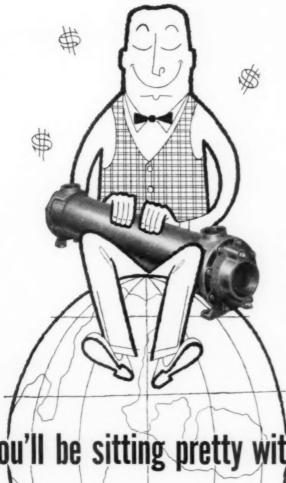
Arrow Tacker Sales Double

Arrow Fastener Co., Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., has announced a 100 percent increase in gun

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Harold Feder, Arrow sales manager, attributes the increase to three factors: the company's policy of dealing only through the trade, turning all consumer inquiries over to the nearest dealer: the growing demand and constant new uses for automatic tackers in home and professional use; and the company's buy-or-rent plan which has resulted in 98.7 percent actual sales and also plays a large part in the reportedly tremendous sales jump.

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retail stores, services and busi-nesses. J. W. Stallings, general

sales manager of the company,

announced that the firm will

make registers in five different

colors-blue, turquoise, beige,

gray and green. Most of them

will have an off-white keyboard

and center panel, with numerals

and symbols in red and black.

The new gold Clary logotype

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will appear on the machines.

Wentworth

H & A Sizing Company has moved to new and larger quarters at 323 N. Loomis, Chicago 7. Ill. The new centrally located offices have complete shipping facilities which will mean faster and better service for the company's customers, according to the owners, Roy Hatcher and William Anderson,

Clayton Promotes Moon

Elwood N. Moon, assistant to the vice-president of sales since 1950, has been appointed sales promotion manager of all divisions of the Clayton Manufac- Montebello, Calif., as sales repturing Company, El Monte, Calif., according to J. A. Cortright, vice-president of sales. Mr. Moon joined Clayton in 1944 as a sales engineer in the dynamometer division. In his new position he will be responsible for the development and coordination of sales programs.

Risdon Names Representatives

Risdon Manufacturing Company, Naugatuck, Conn., has disclosed the appointment of Petersen Daniels, Incorporated, stationed in Denver.

resentative for 11 Western states. They include Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. Daniels will handle sales to jobbers of Risdon's line of laundry, drycleaner and hospital supplies.

Fred Petersen will travel from the headquarters location in Montebello. Gene Daniels will cover San Francisco and the surrounding area. Fred Briggs will work out of Albany, Ore., and Dave Carroll will be

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customer. Write to Almore Dye Charged System Control

Charged-system control providing exact moisture requirements for the particular classified load is now available through "Vivitrol DMC," according to the manufacturer, Stamford Chemical Company.

The control, states the company in a brochure issued recently, provides the correct amount of moisture for the individual load, regardless of the amount or type of charge or conductivity value of the detergent used in the cleaning operation. This is accomplished through an electronic sensing element, placed directly in the washer solvent, which measures the relative humidity of the solvent. Called "Dynamic Moisture Control," the system is said to permit a wide range of flexibility in charged-system cleaning and to allow high moisture loads to be followed by dry loads in the same unit.

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Packless Reusable Coupling



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The manufacturer suggests the couplings be stocked, applied, removed and reapplied, if necessary, in the cleaning

veyor for finished, packaged bulletin DC to Packless Metal Hose Inc., 31 Winthrop Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.

New Street's Repellent



R. R. Street & Co. Inc. has announced the development of a new liquid water repellent which is now being marketed under the name of Rep. According to Street's this new formula has all the convenience of a liquid which requires no heating and yet a scientific spray-rating test shows that it imparts a repellency equal to many of the best paste formulas. The product is now being distributed nationally.

The company is offering a bulletin (No. 5437) giving further information on this product. To obtain a copy write to R. R. Street & Co. Inc., 561 W. Monroe St., Chicago 6. Ill.

Conveyor Care

How to get the maximum performance and longest service life from overhead trolley conveyors is the subject of a new bulletin by Rapistan-Keystone, Inc. Prepared by the firm's manager of sales engi-

for further information will get quickest and most complete attention as a worthwhile inquiry when it's written on your letterhead. Be sure to mention NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER.

New Shirt Conveyor



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neering, Ellis Jeffers, this compilation of practical tips is written in simple, easy-to-follow terms. Detailed sketches of the various parts of a trolley conveyor illustrate the points at which checks should be made Detroit 19, Mich. periodically by the maintenance

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accepts any size index cards to 7223-B. be used for customer information records and other data.

Further details may be obtained by writing to Reliable Machine Works, Inc., 238 Eagle St., Brooklyn 22, N. Y.

A new bulletin covering the complete line of class CRV cradle-mounted centrifugal pumps has been issued by Ingersoll-Rand. The pumps described have capacities from 5 to 2,800 gallons per minute and pressures of 10 to 525 feet total head.

A concise tabulation of pump types with their ratings enables the pump user to select the correct unit for his needs. A cross-section view points up the design features common to this line of pumps. The various models are described and their applications listed on individual pages of the bulletin. In addition, performance tables and dimensions for the entire line are shown.

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New Manitowoc-Olson Filter



Development of a new 3,000 g.p.h. Manitowoc-Olson tubular filter for Perchlor and 105° F. drycleaning systems has been announced by Manitowoc Engineering Corp., Manitowoc, Wis. The new large-capacity filter is said to eliminate the problem of pressure build-up formerly associated with filters of this Revo-File is said to be a simplified method for index-card bulletin, write or call your of the new Manitowoc 70-filing systems. It features a renearest Ingersoll-Rand branch pound perchlor and 105° F. volving wheel unit which is set office or write Ingersoll-Rand two-bath and single-bath clean-

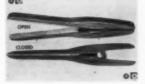
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available separately as independent units.

Newhouse Coat-Vent Clamp



Newhouse Specialty Company, Inc., 3827 San Fernando Rd., Glendale 4, Calif., has introduced a new clamp for coat vents, according to E. J. Newhouse, president. Mr. Newhouse states that the clamp fills a definite need because it speeds up the finishing of the now popular style in men's coats, which have one or two vents in the back. The clamp is designed to grip and hold the vent firmly together while the

wood and has special plasticstrips, on the inside of the cleaner, the machine is adapt- solvent operation. clamp jaws, which are said to prevent any slipping and to leave no mark or imprint on the

Folder Describes Imperial-60

The Prosperity Company, Inc., 2131-2171 Erie Blvd., E., Syracuse 1, N. Y., describes the features and advantages of its latest drycleaning machine, the Imperial-60, in a colorful folder just released. The booklet also lists the unit's specifications and points out how the Imperial-60 will give Hi-Fi (high fidelity) cleaning and top production.

The Imperial is equipped with a 36-by-36-inch, openpocket, reversing cylinder, capable of extracting and drying a 60-pound load in 21 minutes with straight solvent, and 27

ing systems, the filters are also coat is being finished. It is minutes with charged soap, ac- able for two-bath, charged soap

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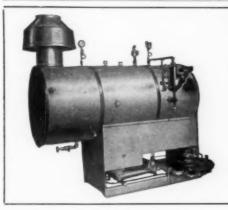


Charles T. Doms has opened George Sowers has joined his One Hour Martinizing in the uncle, Les, in the operation of Mante Bldg., Main St., Morgan, Sowers Cleaners, Warsaw, Ill.

Property has been purchased in Tell City, Ind., for the erection

New equipment has been installed in Menard Dry Cleaners, Prairie DuRocher, Ill. of a modern drycleaning plant and laundry for National Cleaners. Albert Slaton is the owner.

One Hour Martinizing has been opened by Carl Bernges at 527 Baker Drive, Milford, Ohio.



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Jack Lees and his son, Danny, Andre Gelpi, president of Swan plan to open a drycleaning Cleaners, Columbus, Ohio, has store at 308 W. Oak St., Union City, Ind.

Cleaners, Columbus, Ohio, has announced the opening of its twenty-eighth store at 1646 City, Ind.

A grand opening was held re-cently at Spot Less Cleaners, 144 E. St. Charles Rd., Whea-ton, Ill., by Stanley Justus and Vern Foell.

Darko & Sons Cleaners has opened a branch at 65th and College, Indianapolis, Ind.

Spic and Span, Milwaukee, Wis., plans to open a unit in the new Elmwood Plaza Shopping Center in Racine. The plant will be the thirty-sixth retail outlet in the organization.

Dr. O. K. Fleming and Robert Dudley have opened One Hour A grand opening was held re-Martinizing at 242 E. State St., cently at Westgate Cleaners, West Lafayette, Ind.

A grand opening for Troy Stop-N-Drop Drive-In Cleaners, 810 S. Dort, Flint, Mich., was announced by Troy Dortch, manager.

Brooks Roudebush has announced sale of Brooks Dry Cleaners, 330 E. Ninth St., Rochester, Ind., to Richard

Jack Chellew and his sons have A 26-by-34-foot building is be-opened One Hour Martinizing, ing added at Virden (Ill.) 3159 Madison Rd., Cincinnati, Cleaners. Joy Gates is the Ohio.

Neil Ave., adjacent to the Ohio State University campus.

Royal Cleaners, formerly at 214 W. Madison St., Pontiac, Ill., has moved to 517 W. Howard St. Mr. and Mrs. John Ripsch are the owners.

Dr. Ralph L. Records has purchased Main Cleaners, located at Main Cross and Main Sts., Edinburg, Ind.

American Shoe Repair and Dry Cleaners has been moved to its new drive-in location, 214 E. Second St., Ottumwa, Iowa.

cently at Westgate Cleaners, located in Westgate Park and Shop, Arlington Heights, Ill.

Robert D. Piper has opened One Hour Martinizing at 2630 E. Vivion Rd., North Kansas City, Mo.

Circle Cleaners, Zeigler, Ill., has been purchased by Nelson Smith, Jr., from Freford Dorris.

Richard's Cleaner's, 10439 S. Kedzie, Skokie, Ill., is now under the management of Mr. A laundry department has been and Mrs. Richard Eckenstahler. opened at Moris Cleaners, 7645 W. Vernor, Detroit, Mich. as J-H Cleaners.

owner.



Wyllie Dry Cleaners and Shirt Walnut St., Pittsburgh, Pa., by Laundry, 1 Center St., Batavia, N. Y., has been remodeled, and new equipment installed.

Mrs. Beatrice Horner has opened Bea's Cleaning, 422 Semple St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

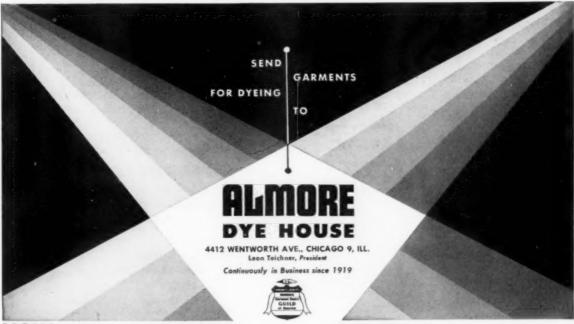
One Hour Martinizing has been opened at 32 E. Main St., Carnegie, Pa., by Messrs. Baker and Jones.

A grand opening was held recently at One Hour Martinizing, 23 S. Brady St., Du Bois, Pa., by Joseph L. Mollic.

Excel Cleaners and Tailors has been opened in a new building at 4821 Westfield Ave., Mcrehantville, N. J., by John C. Kertman.

New York Tailoring Co. and Houlton (Me.) Laundry and Dry Cleaners have been consolidated, and will operate as United Cleaners and Dyers. Dyers. Leslie Rhoda is president and general manager and Cyril Hogan treasurer and production manager.

A grand opening celebration A certificate has been filed for was held at Pastel Cleaners, the conduct of Walnut Clean-532 Central Ave., Cedarhurst, ing and Tailoring Co., 5427 N. Y.



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Amelia Carr has opened One Hour Martinizing at 2039 Second Ave., New York, N. Y.

A grand opening was held re-cently at Synor's Dry Cleaners, 5545 Main St., Williamsville,

Kenneth F. Wagner has opened las, Tex. The plant had been One Hour Martinizing at 6 completely rebuilt after a re-Springfield St., Chicopee, Mass. cent fire.

Premises at Fifth and Chew Sts., Philadelphia, Pa., have been leased to Alert Cleaners.

A license has been issued Zaner and Ronald Duke for the con-duct of Duke's Cleaners, 311-C E. Whittier Blvd., Whittier, Calif.

A formal opening was held recently at ABC Cleaners, located on Meta Drive in the Village Shopping Center, Midland, Tex. James H. Taylor is the owner.

Mary L. O'Connor has purchased Freeway Cleaners, 25 N. Kingston St., Burlingame,

Calif., from David C. and Estelle M. DeMott.

Odorless Cleaners has been moved to a newly constructed building at Main and Vine Sts., Farmington, N. M.

grand opening was held at Valley of the Moon Cleaners, 17533 Sonoma Hwy., Fetters Hot Springs, Calif., by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Trotto.

G. R. Varvel, president of K-V Cleaners, Inc., 2508 E. Central, Wichita, Kans., has announced plans to open One-Hour Martinizing in Derby.



A remodeling program has been completed at Pryor Cleaners, Farmersdale, Tex. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pryor are the owners.

Uptown Cleaners, Elk City, Okla., has been purchased by R. C. Calkins from M. B. Matherly.

Dutch Cleaners has been opened at 1254 S. Glendale Ave., Glendale, Calif., it was announced by Ben Lassman,

Master Cleaners & Tailors has moved to a new location on Walnut St., Highway 90, Co-lumbus, Tex. J. H. Moeckel and Elroy Venghaus are the owners.

Joseph Yelenick and Elmer F. Richardson have opened One Hour Martinizing, 3270 W. Alemeda Ave., Denver, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene L. Carter have purchased DeLuxe Cleaners, Brentwood, Calif., from Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hall.

Patterson Cleaners has moved to a new location on Main St., Seagraves, Tex. New equip-ment has been installed in the plant, which is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Patterson.

Conducted tours were part of the twenty-ninth anniversary celebration at Bell Cleaning & Laundry, 4821 Columbia, Dal-



A new plant structure is planned for Burnaby (B. C.) Cleaners, to be located at 3745 Kingsway.

The addition of fur cleaning and storage facilities has been completed at Rainbow Clean-ers, 12535 118 Ave., Edmonton,

Construction has begun on a

Steinbach (Man.) Dry Cleaners which was completely destroyed by fire recently. Emile and Mary Senkiw are the owners.

Quinton's Ltd. has opened a new drive-in at Toronto and Sargent, Winnipeg, Man. Paul Quinton is president of the firm.

Melville (Sask.) Dry Cleaners has been purchased by Phillip larger, more modern plant for Armbruster from C. Platnich.



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land, Ark., from T. A. Godsey.

Paragon Cleaners has been opened in the new Delray Shopping Center, N. Federal Highway, Delray Beach, Fla. Larry Wolk is the owner.

New equipment has been installed in Superior Cleaners, Horse Cave, Ky., which is operated by L. R. Broady and L. A. Davenport.

A branch of Peacock Cleaners and Launderers has been opened in the new Dunedin (Fla.) Shopping Plaza, Inc., 201 Douglas Avenue.

David Carl Scroggin has pur- W. E. VanWinkle has opened chased Godsey Cleaners, Eng- One Hour Martinizing at 407 Strawbridge Ave., Melbourne,

> Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caldwell have purchased Nu-Brite Cleaners on Center Grove Rd., Kannapolis, N. C., from James Carev.

> Thompson's Cleaners, Suwannee Fla., owned and operated by Dolph Thompson, has been remodeled and new equipment installed.

> Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Waldron have purchased Dependable Cleaners, Gorda, Fla. Taylor St., Punta



Construction has begun on a Pocatello, new building to house Hi-Line Elledge ar Cleaners, located on Main St., Chester, Mont. Mr. and Mrs. Chester, Mont. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Denter are the owners.

Peacock Cleaners, 6001 Deliridge Way, Seattle, Wash., has been sold to Virgil Widner and Bernie Manzo.

Roy and Norman Cook, operators of Cook's Cleaners in Beaverton, Ore., have opened a branch in a new building in Tigard.

Avel Diaz has announced plans for construction of an addition to Quality Cleaners, Burns, Ore.

Wallace K. Woodworth has sold Art's Cleaners, 1123 N. Main, in North Bend.

Pocatello, Idaho, to W Elledge and Rolla Briggs. Walter

New equipment has been installed in Clever Cleaners, Os-

"Red" and Maxine Robertson are the owners of the new Jet Cleaners and Tailors, 1607 Seymour, Cheyenne, Wyo.

New City Cleaners, Fourth and New City Cleaners, Fourth and Anderson, Coos Bay, Ore., has been purchased by W. H. Mc-Cann and Gerald E. Wallace from Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thi-bodeau. The new owners also own Sherman Avenue Cleaners



OBITUARIES

Maurice Alper, 61, president of North Cleaners and Dyers, Inc., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, died recently, Mr. Alper was a former president of the Philadelphia Wholesale Cleaners & Dyers Association and a Mason. Surviving are his wife and a daughter.

David Braby, 65, former drycleaning plant operator of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, died recently, He is survived by his wife, two sons and seven daughters.

Ernest F. Dorn, 85, who had been associated with Carman & Co., Inc., throughout his lifetime, died in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on June 8. Mr. Dorn's son-in-law, Raymond F. Conley, is now president of Carman-Conley, Inc., Chicago, and a grandson, J. Robert Conley, is vice-president of that organization. Another grandson, James R. Conley, is manager of Carman-Conley's Indianapolis branch. Survivors include his wife, a son and three daughters.

Arthur E. Evans, 73, former operator of Family Cleaners, Flint, Michigan, died recently. Mr. Evans is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter.

Max I. Iralson, who operated I. M. Iralson & Son in Chicago until his retirement some years ago, died July 2 in New York, where he had been attending the wedding of his grand-daughter. In his later years he had been a resident of Miami, Florida.

Mr. Iralson was one of the founders of the South Side (Chicago) Cleaners Club, the Cleaners Purchasing Association and the annual Pow-Wow, He served many years as a director of the Chicago Dry Cleaners Association. Surviving are his widow, a daughter, two grandchildren and a sister.

Willis R. Lee, 65, owner of Sanitary Laundry and Golden West Cleaners, Oakland, California, died on June 5 while on vacation at Palm Springs. Mr. Lee was past president of the California Dry Cleaners Association and California Laundry Owners Association, and was active in Bay Area association affairs. He was a Mason, a member of the Scottish Rite and Aahmes Temple of the Shrine in Oakland. Surviving is his wife.

William F. McFerran, 63, plant manager of Davis Cleaners and Dyers Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada, died recently.



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Mr. McFerran was a past master of Queen City Masonic Lodge, a member of the Geoffrey Preceptory, Knights Templars, Rameses Shrine, and Toronto Disabled War Veterans Association, Surviving are his wife and four stepchildren.

Harry Wells, 58, one of the proprietors of Sheldon (Iowa) Dry Cleaners, died on June 6. Mr. Wells was prominent in church and civic affairs. He was a member of Mistletoe Lodge, No. 276 AF&AM, and Floyd Chapter, O.E.S. Survivors include his wife, two sons and a daughter.

Robert R. Woodard, partner in Danville (Illinois) Window Cleaners, died on May 28, Mr. Woodard is survived by his wife and nine children.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

- August 10, 11 and 12-National Institute of Drycleaning Alumni Society, Back Home Day, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- August 16, 17 and 18-Pennsylvania Association of Dyers and Cleaners, Annual Convention, Lawrence Hotel, Erie.
- August 19, 20 and 21-Virginia Association of Launderers and Cleaners, Inc., Annual Convention, Hotel John Marshall, Richmond.
- September 23, 24 and 25—Dry Cleaners Institute (Ontario) Limited, Annual Convention, Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Canada.
- October 4, 5, 6 and 7-American Institute of Laundering, Annual Convention, Denver, Colorado,
- October 5, 6 and 7-Ohio State Association of Cleaners and Dvers, Annual Convention, Neil House Hotel, Columbus.
- October 27 and 28-Cleansing Plant Owners of Massachusetts, Annual Convention, Hotel Statler, Boston.
- November 2 and 3—Oregon State Drycleaners Association, Annual Convention, Gearhart Hotel, Gearhart.

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OUR READERS SAY

State Convention Exhibits

To the Editor:

Your editorial in the June issue of The National Cleaner & Dyer, "Pro and Con," interested me greatly. There was one statement in the editorial which I feel is based upon inadequate information. This statement is, "Since the National Convention there has been increased pressure to exhibit at state meetings. This would definitely increase costs for manufacturers and ultimately plantowners."

The California Drycleaners Association has just completed a highly successful exhibit at the Lafayette Exhibit Hall in Long Beach which was conducted at no cost whatever to the manufacturers. Our attendance was approximately 2,000 which is small when compared with NID exhibits, but since the manufacturers paid nothing for space, power, air, decorations, or any other expense, except the LCATA-approved \$15 per representative in lieu of membership dues in state associations, this was clearly a substantial savings in cost for both manufacturers and ultimately plantowners.

Since this exhibit had been planned for over nine months, and bulletins outlined this activity, we feel that an editorial on this subject should take into consideration such a significant new approach to the ideas of a machinery exhibit.

G. M. Shepherd Executive Secretary California Drycleaners Association

Lou Bellew had already written us about the tremendous success of your convention. You are to be congratulated on this new approach to the exhibit problem. As far as I know, it is the first time that an association has borne the cost completely for exhibit expenses.

As you know, there are approximately 300 associations in the textile maintenance field. Many of these meet twice a year. I think you will agree that if every show meant setting up equipment, it would be bound to be an extra expense to the manufacturers just in manpower alone. Then, too, not every convention city is blessed with the fine exhibition hall that you had. Even though the associations in other states may be willing to pay the cost, as you did, they may not have facilities large enough to provide adequate space for all the people who would want to show their products.

There are many other ramifications of this problem, and I am sure you are aware of all of them. As far as your particular show is concerned obviously it was a good move for both your association and the manufacturers.—Editor

Training Inspectors

To the Editor:

I would greatly appreciate any printed articles you could send me relative to teaching people how to inspect finished garments, so that we could use these printed ideas in establishing a consistently uniform quality inspection of our work and thereby maintain a constant high quality service.

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Marquette, Mich.

We are sending you tear sheets of recent articles that included inspection information. In addition, may we suggest that you select someone for this position who understands how a finished garment should look. Many plants will take a silk finisher for the job. Such a person has an understanding of the work, and cannot be persuaded by the other finishers to pass up garments that need additional touching up.

In training this person it is important that the work be done in repetitive sequence on the various portions of the garment. She could pick up this technique from your spotter who normally checks the lapels and front of a man's suit coat, for instance.

The next step would be to examine the sleeves, then the back of the coat. The inspector should be trained to look not only for finishing, but spots, missing buttons, other minor repairs and presence of odor.

Some high-quality plants will send men's trousers to the inspection point suspended full-length from the hanger and held by clips or pins. Thus the girl can examine the whole garment quickly. She, of course, has to refold the trousers and put them on a hanger, an extra operation. Most plants will have the inspector first check the cuffs for tacking, then the creases for proper press. The girl finally checks the trouser top for finishing, spots and repairs.

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Industry Statistics

To the Editor:

We are in need of some drycleaning industry statistics and hope you can help us.

Specifically, we would like to know the year-by-year total of the nation's drycleaning plants (in all categories), from 1946 to 1956. And we would also like to get the total sales figures for these plants and years.

If these figures are not complete, a well-educated "guess-timate" will be entirely acceptable. Or you might tell us who can supply us with these figures.

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The earliest year for which we have exact figures is 1948. At that time there were 24,017 cleaning and dyeing plants. Of these 4,757 used synthetic solvent. There were 18,491 plants which cleaned with petroleum solvent, and 769 plants using both methods. In that year the industry did a little better than 800 million dollars worth of volume.

The next year for which accurate figures are available is 1953. At that time there were 30,499 plants. This was broken down to 21,285 petroleum plants, 7,806 synthetic solvent plants, and 530 used both types. Receipts in that year amounted to 1.1 billion dollars.

You will note that in the six-year period, nearly 9,500 additional plants came into the field. Also, there is an increased trend toward synthetic equipment, although petroleum solvent still predominates. While there are no exact figures available for the total number of plants today, an accurate estimate indicates about 34,000 plants in existence—the growth of another 3,500 plants in the past three years. The proportion between synthetic and petroleum plant remains about the same. Volume last year is estimated to be 1¾ billion dollars.

Predictions made by economists at the beginning of this year indicated a further volume increase of approximately 3½ percent over 1955. Machinery and equipment sales were predicted to be better than 40 million dollars this year, a jump of 9.8 percent. Since the country is expanding at the rate of better than 1,000 plants a year and present plants continue to grow, the estimate would appear to be conservative, if anything.—Editor

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